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# CHINESE TROOPS NEARLY CREATE SERIOUS INCIDENT

## Rush At British Post: Reporter Watches Heavy Shrapnel Fire

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

THE WHOLE OF THE CHINESE BORDER ZONE BETWEEN SHUM-CHUN AND THE CHINESE VILLAGE AT SHATAUKOK, ACROSS THE BRITISH FRONTIER, IS THIS MORNING VIRTUALLY IN THE HANDS OF THE JAPANESE.

Chinese resistance to the east of the railway is gradually collapsing under steady pounding by Japanese artillery.

I have just been under fire myself, near the British observation post at the bridge which takes the Kowloon-Canton motor road over the Shum-chun River.

The Japanese battery can very clearly be seen, manned by men in blue uniform, apparently naval men or marines. They are shelling a line held by the Chinese running parallel to the British border at a point just across the bridge.

One piece of shrapnel a few minutes ago (10.30 a.m.) struck the bank of the river only twenty yards from where we were standing, doing no more harm, however, than throwing up a cloud of dust.

### DEADLOCK OVER PUPPET FEDERATION

Peiping, To-day.

The plans to establish a federal government of China, with headquarters at Peiping, have reached a deadlock, according to reliable sources.

The difficulty is stated to be due to a difference of opinion between various sections of the Japanese army regarding the form the new government should take.

Reuters.

Things are becoming so uncomfortable that a British military lorry which was parked at the observation post was driven back to a safer position.

#### ON THE RUN

The objective of the battery is only 200 yards away on the Chinese side, and Chinese troops, Customs officials and civilian refugees are on the run.

Shells can be heard as they whistle past where we are standing to burst with a crack 200 yards away.

Panic seems to be spreading through the defence position and hundreds have run helter-skelter across the British territory, although under fire throughout.

I saw some running near a shell burst and did not see them again.

A moment ago, one of the shells landed in a field a hundred yards away and burst.

#### "ON OUR DOORSTEP"

The British outpost at this point is manned by a subaltern and a number of men of the Middlesex

Regiment.

The firing, they told me, broke out at about ten o'clock this morning, and, said the officer, "one landed right on our doorstep."

A small village just this side of

### TOKYO'S SAFETY ZONE REPLY NOT RECEIVED

The Japanese Consulate-General stated this morning that no reply has yet been received from Tokyo concerning the British request for the recognition of three safety zones on the Chinese side of the border.

The request was made on Wednesday.

The Japanese are now in occupation of Shumchun.

the British border is crammed so full with refugees as to be almost unbelievable.

I also saw a British police van driven by a European officer, carrying five wounded Chinese soldiers who had managed to get across some distance along the river.

They were bandaged, looked dispiritedly and generally miserable.

#### SHATAUKOK INCIDENT

War almost came to Hong Kong's

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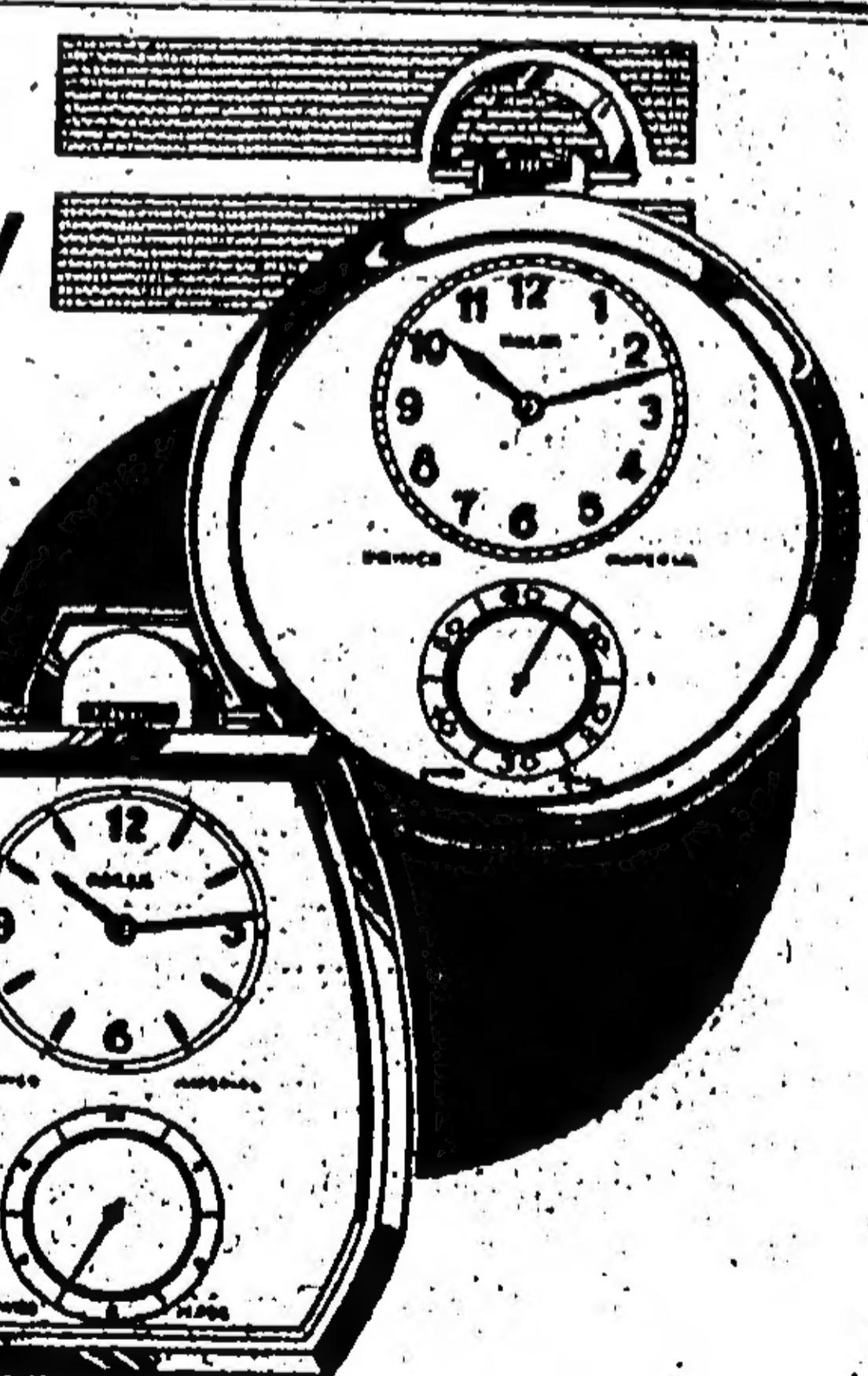
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## Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

### SUCCESSFUL AUTHOR CONVINCED THAT CAREFUL GROOMING IS ESSENTIAL TO CAREERISTS

Of course I'm convinced that the woman who keeps herself nicely groomed gets more out of life than her indifferent sister! In fact I feel that girls cannot start too young to care for their looks, acquire good habits, and keep themselves up generally! Those are the words of Marjorie Hillis, that successful author who writes gay and pointed narratives about the women of our day.

Her profound understanding of feminine psychology has been acquired through her own formative career years — sixteen of which were spent on the staff of a leading fashion magazine. Now she is madly engaged in filling lecture engagements throughout the country and writing articles and books for women and about them!

In Miss Hillis' opinion, "it is the determination to keep one's self looking well groomed and keeping currently informed about things and people, which gets a woman places." She feels "it is dated to think beauty is outside. Most of

beauty comes from inside. Don't just gild the lily — give it something to feed on! Women simply must keep their health and their figures and their sense of balance, if they wish to be truly beautiful and successful.

"And environment means a great deal, too. I've written so much about the importance of attractive bed jackets and negligees, well stocked dressing tables, and beautiful bedrooms, that I am kidded unmercifully! But it is true, that those things give a woman a most reassuring feeling of well being, and as a result she carries a more colourful personality to her job, and a more relaxed, enjoyable personality to her friends.

"Take for instance Claudia and Eileen in my last book, 'Work Ends at Nightfall.' They were successful because they were meticulous — or I might say, because they lived meticulously. Kate and Irene didn't bother, and just let themselves go, so as a consequence they got only the second best from life instead of the best, which they desired.

"It is very apparent that if a woman or girl is seriously interested in a career she must be conscious of the impression she makes on others at first glance, and the dent she makes during the first conversation!"

There were more questions I wanted to ask Miss Hillis about gracious living and beauty, but she was hurriedly packing (exquisitely gowned in a two-tone negligee!) for a trip to the coast where she was booked to answer similar questions for the women of California!

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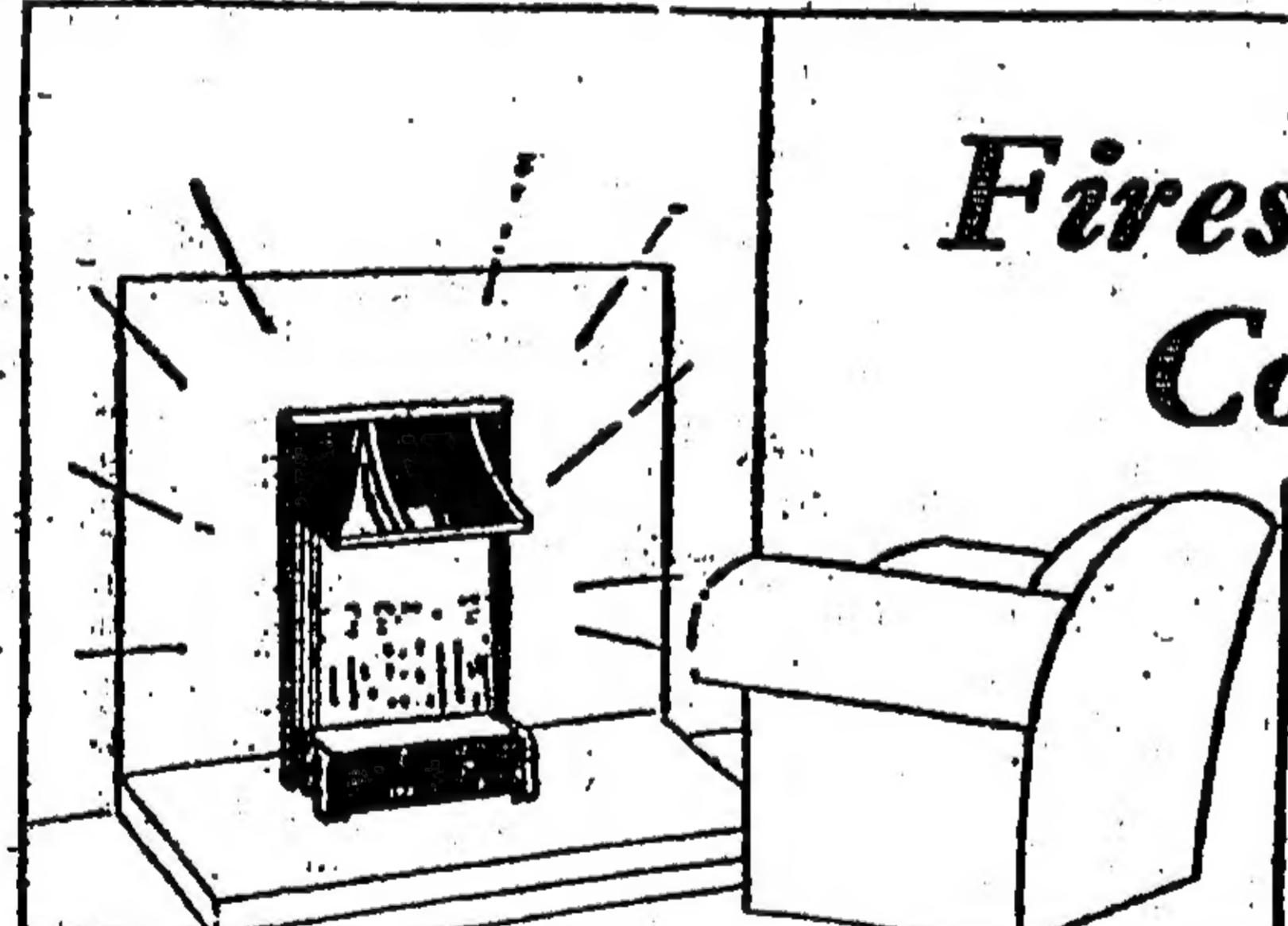
# WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By MARY BLAKE

Hallucinations of affronts and uncomplimentary criticisms will afflict the minds of many people this day. Do not imagine you are the topic of any whispered conversation or private confab, because you may be greatly annoyed without rhyme or reason. Individuality can be made to play an important part in this day's affairs, so make your personality count in both social and business contacts. Nonchalance, inattention or a half-hearted attitude will be the primary cause of many unfavourable opinions being formed. An inferiority complex may also bring to many a person born on this date a feeling of dejection. Think right about things in general and your own capability in particular. Married and engaged couples, and those who are in love must remember the game of life requires good sportsmanship if it is to be played successfully this day.

If a woman and November 26 is your birthday, the spirit of wanderlust can cause you to become very discontented. Anything bordering on the mysterious may have a fascination for you. Be careful curiosity does not tempt you to be overly inquisitive about some of your friends' purely personal affairs. If you have an ax to grind, do you own grinding, and do not wait for others to do it for you. As a women's doctor, lawyer, specialty shop manager, author, artist or musician you may become quite famous. If you put your matrimonial obligations foremost and social or business aspirations next, your home life should be ideal.

The child born on November 26, as a rule requires a great deal of love, sympathy and encouragement. Too much discipline can crush its spirit. This youngster, upon attaining its majority, should be very well prepared to enter life's battle with every chance of becoming a conqueror.



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## SIR KINGSLEY WOOD TO WORK WITH FRENCH AIR MINISTER

London, To-day.

The Anglo-French conversations in Paris are prominently featured by the papers. All regard it as certain that defence questions have been exhaustively discussed and that co-operation of France and England in defence matters will become still closer in future.

The papers point out in this connection that the British Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, will go to Paris on December 2, in order to discuss the question of military aircraft production with the French Air-Minister, M. Guy La Chambre.

The Paris correspondent of "The Times" says that questions connected with the defence and co-operation between France and England in defence matters were the chief subjects discussed by the British and French Statesmen in Paris.

The Spanish question and the problem of the Jewish fugitives as well as the Franco-German declaration, the situation in the Far-East and German colonial claims were discussed.—Trans-Ocean.

## DALADIER TO TAKE CHARGE OF HOME AFFAIRS

Paris, To-day.

M. Daladier's announcement that he will personally take charge of the Ministry of Interior as long as the Minister of Interior, M. Sarraut, who is representing the French Government at the funeral ceremonies for the late President Ataturk at Ankara, is absent, is regarded as a sign of the seriousness of the internal situation.

"The social battle has now begun, the consequences of which can not be foreseen by anyone" says the Socialist leader, Leon Blum, in his paper "Populaire," commenting on the situation.

It is said that the unpopularity of M. Daladier's decrees may precipitate a general strike.

M. Blum, therefore, appeals to the working class to exercise self-control and to follow only the orders of the Labour Federation. The bourgeois press asks the Government to demonstrate its authority and determination.

"The other side must know that there will be no compromise" says "Petit Bleu" while the "Epoque" declares "the strike movement which constitutes a real threat to the country must be combated with the greatest determination."

Other papers express satisfaction that the Government has enforced evacuation of occupied factories, but warn the Government that the ejection of strikers is not enough and that steps must be taken to ensure that the production of the armament factories is not interrupted by the strike.—Trans-Ocean.

## JOHANNESBURG RIOTS

Johannesburg, To-day.

Thirty Jews were injured during Anti-Jewish riots in Johannesburg yesterday evening including three seriously, two of them by revolver shots and one stabbed.

Following a demonstration of the Nationalist Party the crowd started to attack Jews. A thousand rushed through the streets shouting "Down with the Jews" and assaulting those who happened to be in the street. The police made use of tear gas bombs. The riots continued late night.—Trans-Ocean.

## PLANES FORM A CORDON

Jerusalem, To-day.

Seven war planes formed a cordon over an area north-west of Jerusalem yesterday while a number of Arab villages were combed by British troops.

Traffic in the suburbs of western Jerusalem was temporarily suspended during the operations.—Reuter.

# Trod Hot Stones— Unhurt

On the Polynesian isle of Marquesa a mixed crowd of natives and tourists jostled round a shallow pit, 20ft. by 10ft., filled with white-hot stones, to watch the fire-walking rite of the South Sea Islands.

Stalwart natives, armed with long poles, raked out the few remaining pieces of timber and levelled the white-hot stones on the pit-bottom.

Some of the stones cracked under the intense heat, broke in two at a touch of the poles and exposed their glowing cores.

Then the priest and a group of twelve men and women advanced. All were bared to the waist and barefooted. The leader chanted a prayer and struck stones and ground with his branch of ti. With sublime confidence in the powers he had invoked, he paced leisurely into the smoking inferno. Calmly he stepped across the writhing stones, placidly his band followed him.

#### ONE GET THROUGH

One of the tourists said jokingly to another, "Now, then, you're an exponent of island stunts; what about doing your stunt?"

Under the spell of what he had just seen, the second man went temporarily "mad." He slipped off shoes and socks, walked over the sizzling grass leading to the stones, and quietly crossed them, almost suffocated by the smoke.

The only mark on his feet at the other end was dirt from the ashes. Yet a Frenchman who tried it immediately afterwards took two steps on to the stones and was carried to hospital, his feet burned to the bone.

The tourist, the only white man ever to have passed unscathed through the fire rite, was Charles Stuart Ramsay, author of "Tin Can Island" (Hurst and Blackett, 15s.), in which he gives the first authentic story of life on a South Sea Island.

For twenty-five years Ramsay traded copra on Niua Fo'ou, an island in the Tongan group.

"Some have called me a white native," he writes. "For me, steeped in the thoughts and habits of the Polynesian, the term holds no opprobrium." On his sun-baked South Sea island this Wiltshire farmer's lad found a peace that civilisation could not give him.

#### TWO WOMEN

Nor was romance absent. There were two women in his life during his sojourn. He describes his first glimpse of Musie, the first love in his life:

"As though to aid my straining sight, the lamp was moved within the house, and a beam of light fell upon her willowy figure, standing stretched to its full height before me. A bucket upraised above her head cascaded its contents in a glistening shower over soft, rounded shoulders and ran in rivulets down her bare, slender body and dimpled brown legs."

But when he went to the war, Musie forgot him in the casual Polynesian manner, and on his return he found her happily married to a native man.

Ilaisane, his other sweetheart, with whom he risked death in an elopement, was more faithful. Even when he left the island she still kept him in her memory.

One exploit made Ramsay world-famous and changed the name of the island.

#### TIN-CAN MAIL

Niua Fo'ou is girt with rocks, and for six months in the year variable winds and hurricanes would mean destruction to a ship venturing too close to the shore.

Consequently mails were infrequent and irregular. After long thought Ramsay devised a method of swimming out, pushing the letters in front of him in two biscuit tins attached to a long pole, and swimming back with the mail for the island in the same way.

By night and day, in fair weather or foul, he swam out with his "tin can mail," making more than 112 journeys in all. He soon became a centre of attraction for tourists, who gave the island its new name.

After twenty-five years his firm closed their trading station, and he had to leave his beloved Niua Fo'ou and the beautiful Ilaisane. Only once was he able to revisit the island as assistant-director of a cruise (when he walked over the fiery stones).

Since then he has found civilisation an indifferent substitute for peace.

## GOLDFISH CAN KICK

Swindon magistrates spent quite a long time discussing the nature of goldfish.

With the expert assistance of the Clerk to the Bench and the Deputy Town Clerk, they decided that:

Goldfish are not articles of food or drink.

Goldfish can kick.

Therefore goldfish are animate objects.

Therefore a goldfish can be described as "any article whatsoever."

#### IN EXCHANGE FOR RAGS

The question arose when George Thomas Elley, of Rosher-road, Stratford, London, E. was charged with giving a goldfish to a girl of eight in exchange for rags, etc., while he was collecting old clothes, rags and other articles at Swindon.

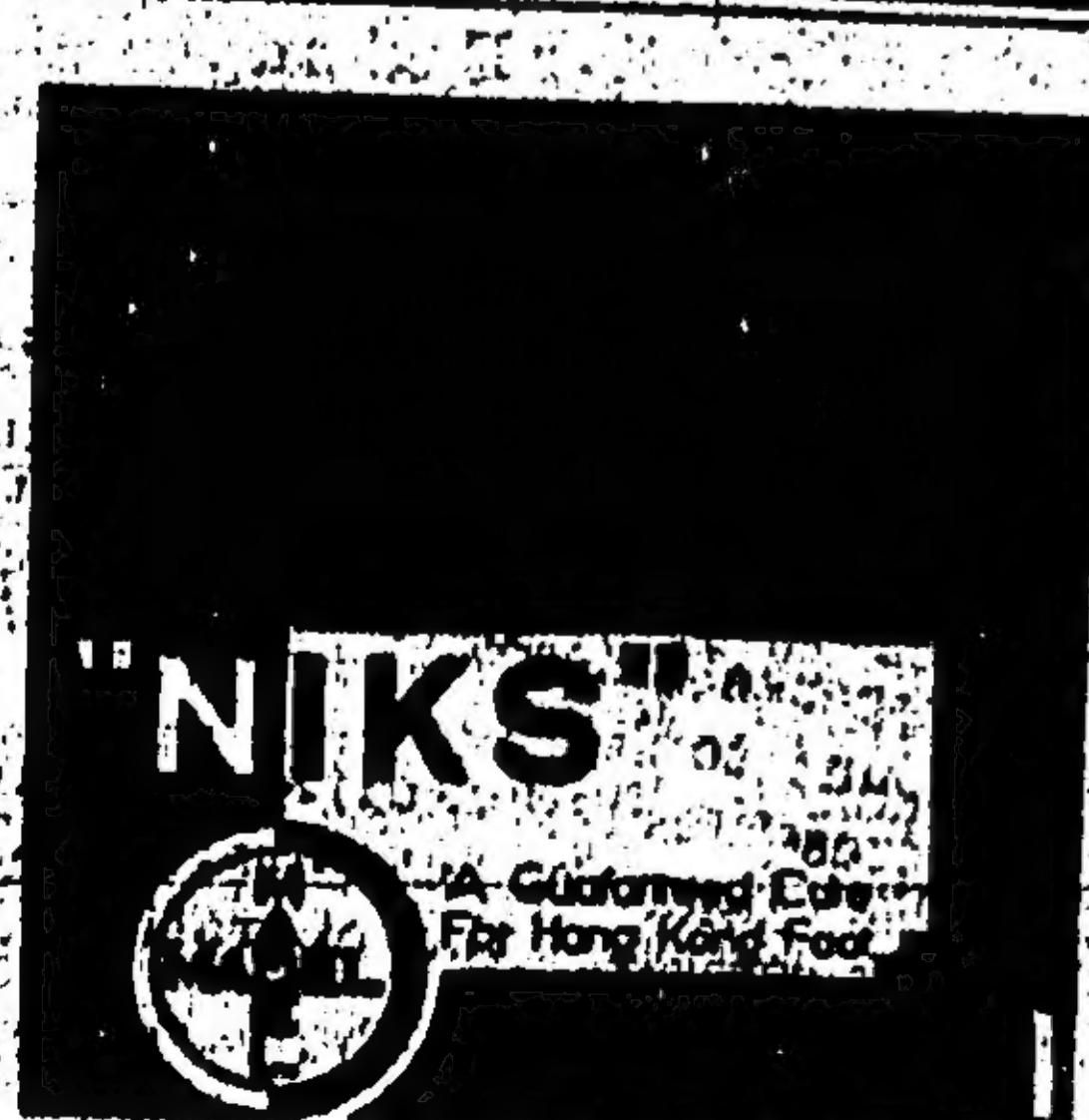
To sell or deliver to a child under fourteen "any article of food or drink or any article whatsoever" is forbidden to old clothes and rag merchants or their collectors by the Act under which the proceedings were taken.

#### A NICE POINT

Mr. A. E. Withy, the magistrates' clerk, wondered whether a goldfish was an article of food or drink or any article whatsoever. The Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Heath, who was prosecuting, said there was a difficulty as a goldfish was an animate object.

Mr. Withy, Yes, a goldfish is animate, it kicks, doesn't it? Are the Bench prepared to hold that a goldfish is an "article whatsoever"?

The Bench were so prepared, and Elley, who wrote pleading guilty, will have to pay ten shillings.



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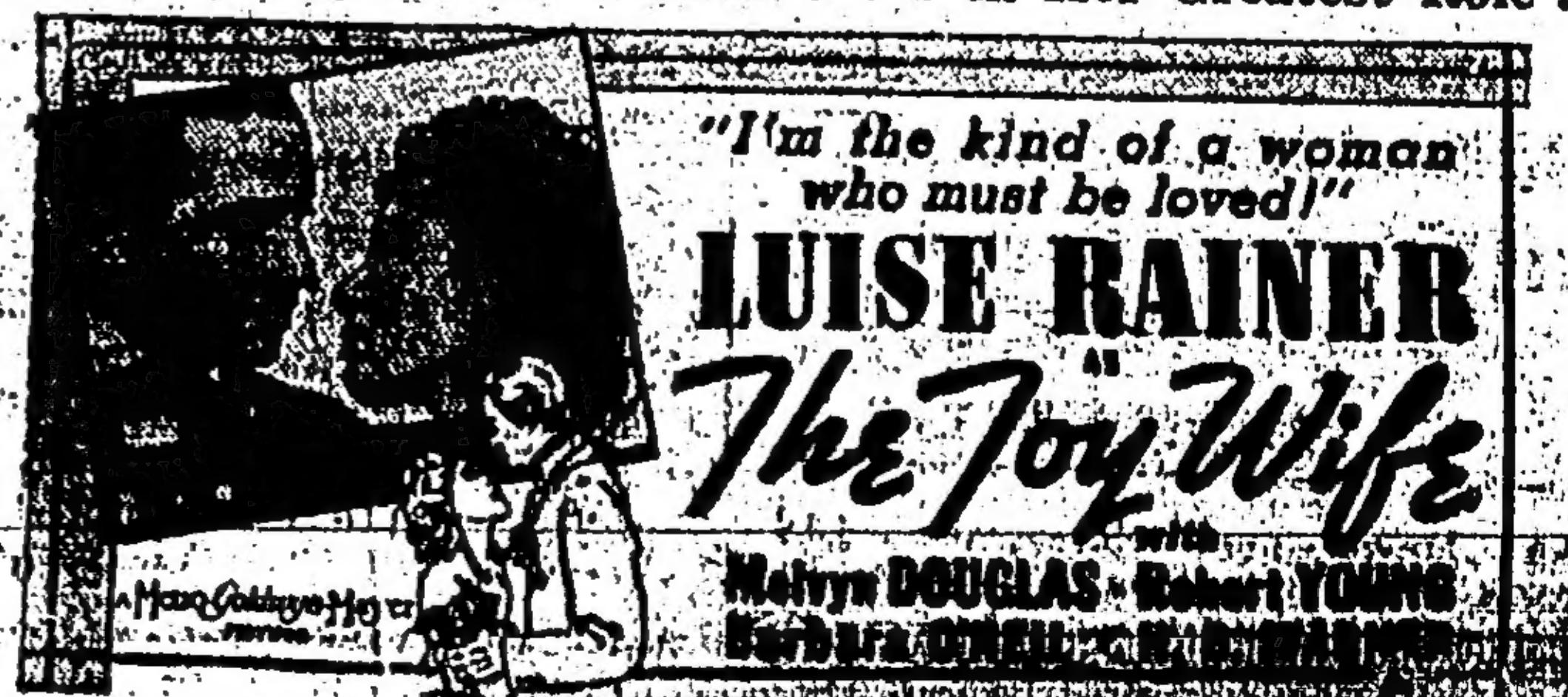
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## "VERY USEFUL VISIT"

London, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, on their return from

Paris last night, were greeted at Victoria Station by Foreign Office officials and the French chargé d'affaires.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "We have had a very enjoyable and delightful time, and it was a very useful visit." —Reuter.

## SHARP LANGUAGE IN COMMONS DEBATE ON PALESTINE SITUATION

London, To-day.

That the British Government still adheres to the Balfour declaration was affirmed by Lord Winterton summing up the attitude of the British Government at the end of the Palestine debate in the House of Commons, after he had declined the suggestion by Mr. Winston Churchill that in the case of failure of the London-Palestine conference the Jews should be armed and allowed to settle the Palestine problem themselves.

Lord Winterton said that such a solution would mean abandonment of Britain's responsibilities as the Mandatory power and would have most lamentable consequences in neighbouring countries like Egypt, Iraq and Moslem India.

Violent attacks on the British Government were made in course of the debate by the Jewish member Wedgwood who is also a member of the Zionist organisation. Wedgwood alleged that Germany had instigated the Arab insistence by propaganda in Palestine. German press and wireless news revealed according to Wedgwood that the Germans were looking forward to the death of the British Empire and were rejoicing at the senility which had befallen England. The Arab irregulars were described by Wedgwood as a band of murderers and gangsters who were doing their fight only to hard the British Empire.

#### "BURIAL OF HONOUR"

British troops in Palestine were quite well in the position to fulfill their task but were kept back by the pusillanimous British Government, which did not dare to oppose the Government like that of Iraq.

The convocation of the London conference was characterised by Wedgwood as the burial of England's honour. One had called the Arab Kingdoms including Iraq as judges. The difficulties could be very easily removed, he said, if the British Government would open the doors to Palestine and let the Jews enter. Wedgwood concluded his speech in saying that the Jews would go to Palestine if not with the permission of the British Government, then without one.

#### STUPID

The immigration of two to three million Jews to Palestine as proposed by the Zionists was described as technically simply impracticable by the National Liberal member Sir Ernst Bennet. The execution of such a plan would bring a density of the population of Palestine up to 1250 per square mile that is to say twice as much as in Belgium, the most densely populated country of Europe. Belgium, however, has rich resources whereas Palestine was one of the poorest countries of the world.

#### LABOUR ACCUSATIONS

The Labour member Mac Govern declared that the Grand Mufti was inspired by the German and Italian totalitarian ideas. He charged Germany and Italy with actively requested by them.—Trans-Ocean.

## ROBINS RESIGNS CAPTAINCY

London, To-day.  
R. W. V. Robins has resigned the captaincy of the Middlesex county cricket XI for business reasons.—Reuter.

supporting the murder campaign in Palestine. The view that the Palestine insurgents were only a small number of conspirators was opposed by the Independent member Beaumont who declared that the irregulars were actively and passively backed by a large part of the Arab population of Palestine as well as by great sympathies from other Islamic countries.

The Arabs were sure that under the present Mandate regulations they would not receive the justice due to them. In the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine they would see the rejection of their wishes.

#### INVITATION TO U.S.

The Conservative member Captain Victor Cazalet suggested to invite a representative of the U. S. to the London conference since one third of all Jews of the world lived in the U. S. He explained that one reason for the opposition of the Arabs was the fear of a political domination by the Jews. He advocated the partition of Palestine since there were two opposite civilisations which could not be united under a Mandate system.

The Labour member Commander Fletcher described Palestine as the touchstone whether England was able to rule and administer justice. The inability of the British Government to come to a decision has cost the life of many soldiers. The prestige and the reputation of England would suffer if the Government was unable to solve the problem. Sir Ralph Glyn warned the Government not to limit the number of Arab members of the conference since the conference was bound to fail if the Arabs

# ORGANISATION OF BRITAIN'S MAN-POWER

Sir John Anderson To Introduce National Register

## Unlikely To Make Provision For Compulsion

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A STATEMENT IS BEING MADE IN PARLIAMENT NEXT THURSDAY REGARDING ORGANISATION OF BRITAIN'S AVAILABLE MAN-POWER, STATES REUTER'S LOBBY CORRESPONDENT.

Plans in this connection are now practically completed, and are expected to receive the final approval of the Cabinet next week.

It is unlikely, however, that they will include any provisions for compulsion.

Sir John Anderson, the Lord Privy Seal, is expected to announce introduction of the bill necessary for bringing the National Register into operation.

The order will show every citizen how he can best help the country in the event of an emergency.

The Government propose to publish shortly a handbook detailing all the various services required, along with the various qualifications necessary.

### LARGE COLLECTION

Sir Thomas Inskip, the Defence Co-ordination Minister, speaking at Manchester yesterday, said the Government had already collected a vast amount of information about Britain's available man power.

He stated that the names of a panel of businessmen who will advise the Government on methods of production will be announced in the next few days.

Sir Thomas added: "There is no article likely to be required in time of war for which full provision has not been made in the present time of peace." — Reuter.

## OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

The following official appointments are gazetted:—

Prof. G. King to be Obstetric Physician to the Queen Mary Hospital.

Dr. J. T. Smalley to act as Director of Medical Services.

Mr. H. J. Cruttwell to be District Officer in the Southern District of the N. T.

Mr. H. J. Cruttwell to hold a Small Debts Court in the N. T. Actg. Inspector B. Thorpe to be an Examiner of Weights and Measures, etc.

Miss A. Holdway to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss M. West to be a Nursing Sister.

Mr. T. Oda recognized as Consul of Japan at Hong Kong.

Dr. G. King to be a Member of the Midwives Board.

## GOVERNMENT STILL SHOWS BIG SURPLUS

The official statement of Government revenue and expenditure for the month of October published to-day reveals that the estimates of revenue for the whole of the year had been exceeded on October 31, with two months of the year still to run.

Land sales have already exceeded \$1,000,000 this year.

Total revenue to October 31 was \$30,626,880, \$400,000 greater than expectations for 12 months. The month's revenue was \$3,889,635.

Expenditure to October 31 totalled \$28,618,206, the surplus of revenue over expenditure being \$2,000,000.

\$5,009,758 has been paid as Military Contribution.

Revenue is \$3,000,000 greater than for the corresponding period of 1937.

## RENEWED GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

**RENEWED GUERRILLA ACTIVITY IS REPORTED FROM NORTH HONAN AND SOUTH SHANSI.**

Many irregulars have crossed the Yellow River at Chengchow and have seriously damaged the Peiping-Hankow Railway in Shansi.

They have also attacked isolated Japanese garrisons.

As much as a mile of track is removed by the guerrillas each night along the railway, while the sleepers are burned.—Reuter.

## FUNERAL OF PESHAWAR VICTIMS

Peshawar, To-day. The three British officers killed by a sepoy were buried at Nowshera yesterday with full military honours.

The report that Major Rea, one of the officers attacked, had died, is incorrect.—Reuter.

## EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Powers are taken under the Emergency Regulations for control of destitutes and squatters in the Colony.

The new regulations, in to-day's Gazette, state:

It shall be lawful for any public officer authorised in that behalf by the Commissioner of Police or the Director of Medical Services, and for any Health Officer, using such force and with such assistance as may be necessary, to take possession of, demolish and remove any structure erected without lawful authority on unleased Crown land.

Such officer may, with the consent of any destitute person whom he finds in or near any such structure demolished under this regulation, or on any unleased Crown land or in any public place, take such person or cause such person to be taken to any camp established under regulation 34 in which there is accommodation for such

## POPE'S CONDITION IMPROVING

Vatican City, To-day. Showing signs of fatigue yesterday His Holiness the Pope has discontinued audiences on the advice of his doctors.

An official bulletin states that His Holiness's indisposition is due to cardiac asthma, and that his condition is now improving.

Dr. Milani, after seeing the Pope yesterday afternoon, said: "The Pope is a little better and has been able to take some nourishment."

"I personally am optimistic. Naturally, everything depends on the resistance of the heart."

The Pope last evening said he felt better.

### IMPROVEMENT CONTINUES

A semi-official news bureau states that oxygen has been got ready but hitherto has not been used.

Dr. Milani again visited His Holiness at 6.15 p.m. and reported at 8.15 that the improvement continues.—Reuter.

person, and such person may be received into such camp and thereupon all the provisions of regulation 34 shall apply to such person as if he were, and notwithstanding that he be not, an alien.

## REMARKABLE BULGARIAN DEMONSTRATIONS: "HEIL HITLER"

Sofia, To-day.

Hundreds of Bulgarian students knelt in the streets and shouted "Heil Hitler" in the course of revisionist demonstrations here yesterday.

Four hundred students and others were arrested, and a number were injured in clashes between police and demonstrators.

The crowd had gathered in front of the Royal Palace and the German Legation to protest against the Treaty of Neuilly, which fixed Bulgaria's present frontiers after the World War.

Mounted police with truncheons cleared the streets.

### ELABORATE STEPS

The police are taking elaborate precautions in Sofia and other towns as further agitation is expected over the week-end.

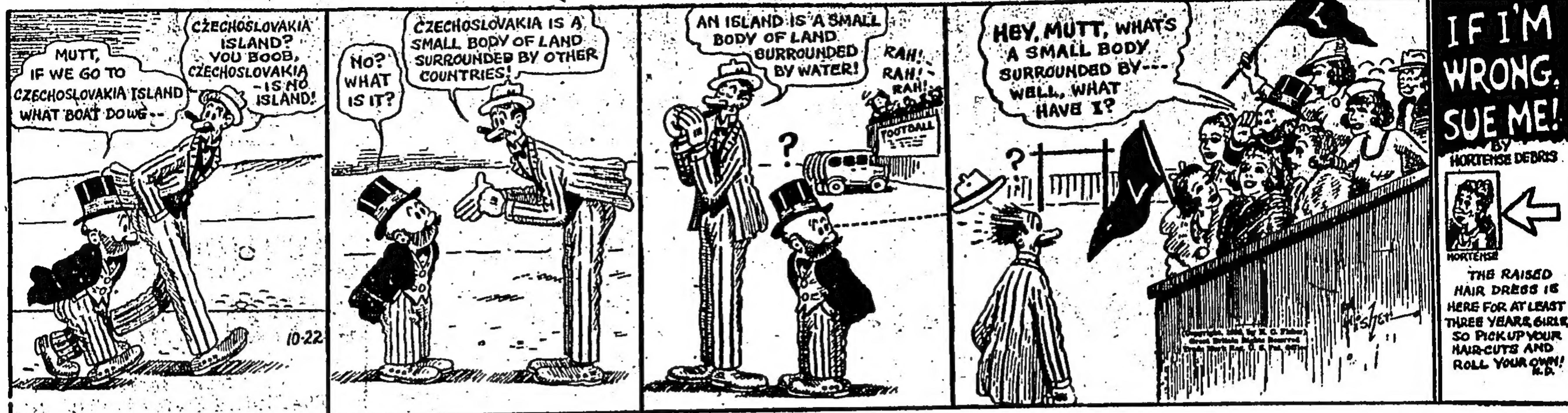
The Minister of Interior has appealed to the population to remain calm and not to participate in the demonstrations.—Reuter.

## FRENCH 24-HOUR GENERAL STRIKE

Paris, To-day.

The French Trades Union Congress yesterday decided that a 24-hour general strike will take place next Wednesday in sympathy with the engineering and metal workers strike now in progress.

## MUTT AND JEFF



THE CHINA MAIL, NOVEMBER 26, 1938.

By BUD FISHER

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HAIR-CUTS AND  
ROLL YOUR OWN!  
HORTENSE

## THE DAILY SHORT STORY

## Yankee Trader

You take a Yankee. Yankees are traders by instinct. You take Abel Morse. Abel lived with his Aunt Jessie on a farm in Vermont. He sprung from a long line of traders. He'd rather trade than eat.

So when he inherited the apple orchard out in Washington State, along with a few hundred dollars in cash, Abel said to his Aunt Jessie: "Aunt Jess, I'm goin' out there to Washington State an' have a look at that there apple orchard."

"You ain't goin' to do nothin' of the kind," Aunt Jess replied. "You're goin' to stay home here an' make maple syrup an' let those there lawyers go an' sell that apple orchard for you."

"Ho!" declared Abel. "Not so's you'd notice it. Me, I allus wanted to travel an' I allus wanted to see an apple orchard without rocks in it, an' I hear tell there ain't no rocks in Washington State."

"No good will come of it," Aunt Jessie stated confidently.

So Abel took his cash money and bought himself a ticket for Washington State, and a week or so later he

of the hotel lobbies, and the second night he got talking with a man who owned a sailing sloop and who was sick of sailing and waited to settle down on a California ranch.

So they wrangled and the next day went out and visited the ranch, and the day after that went down to San Pedro and visited the sloop. Then they leaned on the sloop's rail and wrangled some more and spat into the ocean and pretty soon the ship owner gave Abel a check for \$1000 and a deed to the sloop in exchange for a deed to the orange ranch.

So two days later Abel hired himself a crew of two, provisioned the sloop and set sail down the street. They went through the canal and stopped at Panama city and then went up to Havana, and the very night they arrived Abel visited a gambling joint and lost his shirt. He didn't have anything left but the sloop, so he visited one of the better hotels and struck up an acquaintance with a man who owned a tobacco plantation in Georgia, and wanted to own a sloop.

Abel managed to get a deed to the plantation and enough money to buy himself a steamship ticket to Savannah

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

was saying to Attorney William Brown in Yakima: "So this here Mr. Breen will gimme \$5,000 for that apple orchard I heired me, eh?"

"Right on the line," Attorney Brown affirmed. "And you're lucky to get such a good offer so soon."

"Seems like Mr. Breen appears a bit too anxious," Abel remarked. "I reckon I'll keep the orchard awhile."

So Abel kept the orchard and went to picking apples, for this was the season, and he learned some mighty interesting things about apples, among them being that these apples he was picking wouldn't be eaten for two solid years. They'd go, he learned, into cold storage.

Well, the last of October came and the apples were all picked and Abel discovered it was going to cost him \$19,000 to have his orchard sprayed and made ready for next year's crop, and that he was going to reap only \$17,000 for this season's crop. This reminded him of what Aunt Jess had said about no good coming of this venture, and he began to look for a buyer for his orchard.

He located Mr. Breen but Mr. Breen had lost interest. So Abel went up to the hotel and sat down in the lobby and got to talking with a man who owned an orange ranch in California. Abel told this man that oranges weren't in it with apples, and the man said tch, tch, vice versa was the case. So they traded, sight unseen, only Abel got enough cash to pay his car fare to California.

The orange grove was in the San Fernando Valley and Abel thought it was fine, except three days after he arrived a cold spell came on and he had to buy so much oil and hire so many men to operate his smudge pots that he figured the crop wouldn't yield him much profit, especially since the cold spell threatened to hold on all winter.

So Abel went over the hills to Hollywood and found himself a seat in one

in return for the sloop. Four days later he was in Savannah and went out to look the tobacco plantation over, and come to find out it was a phony. He had traded the sloop for a steamboat ticket to Savannah and nothing more.

It was lucky that Abel was a trader by instinct. He went back to Savannah and visited a trailer camp on the outskirts and got to talking with a man who the year before had sold his home and bought a trailer and was now trailing around the country living here and there. So Abel told this gentleman about his farm in New England and the pond with the fish in it and said if the gentleman cared to give him a ride up there he'd let him park his trailer beside the pond and fish in it all summer.

So along about the middle of May Abel landed back home and the trailer owners parked their trailer beside the pond and were delighted with the prospect of spending a summer in such splendid surroundings.

Aunt Jessie was disgusted. "I told you," she reminded him smugly, "that no good would come o' you goin' out West. And it ain't."

Abel scratched his chin and looked through the window at the parked trailer. "Jess," he said, "mebbe you're right. I lost everything I inherited, but I seen a lot and done a lot an' had me a fine time. An' now, by jinks, I got me an idea. I'm goin' to start a trailer park down near the pond, an' I'll bet afore the summer's over we'll own us a trailer an' it won't cost a cent, an' then me an' you can go trailin' around the country like other folks."

Aunt Jessie heaved a sigh. "Abel," she began, but Abel was hot-footing it for the barn to find materials for a sign to advertise his trailer park, so Aunt Jessie merely heaved another sigh.

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# CAUSE FOR HOPE IN WORLD THREATENED BY DESPAIR

Mr. Cordell Hull On Pan-American Conference

## Faith In Final Triumph For Rule Of Law

New York, To-day.

"The Pan-American Conference offers a solid cause of hope in a world threatened with despair," stated Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, in New York yesterday.

Mr. Cordell Hull was leaving for Lima, the Peruvian capital, where the conference is being held.

He hailed as an encouraging fact "that the representatives of twenty-one nations can meet to discuss their problems in a spirit of trust, understanding and tolerance.

"This approach to international relations strengthens our faith in the eventual triumph of the integrity of justice and respect for order based on law and recognition of the essential dignity and worth of the human spirit and mind."

Mr. Hull declared that the prime goal of the nations participating at Lima was "to strengthen their traditional ties and endeavour to create new bonds of solidarity which will serve to eliminate the danger of war among themselves, and to safeguard from propagation on their soil of extra-continental disputes."

### MOST IMPORTANT EVER

He added that largely because of the disturbed conditions in other parts of the world, the United States State Department regarded the conference as the most important meeting the Pan-American Republics had ever held.—Reuter.

## DRAMATIC RACE AGAINST TIME

New York, To-day.

A dramatic race against time by steamer enabled Mr. Hugh Wilson, Ambassador to Germany, to have a brief conference with his chief, Mr. Cordell Hull, before the latter sailed for Lima, Peru, yesterday for the Pan-American Conference.

Mr. Hull's steamer, the "Santa Clara," was waiting to sail for Peru while Mr. Wilson's ship, the "Manhattan," was nearing New York.

The "Manhattan" piled on steam and reached harbour before the "Santa Clara" sailed.

A revenue cutter took off Mr. Wilson at quarantine and hurried him ashore, whence he motored to the "Santa Clara" pier and saw Mr. Hull aboard.

It is presumed that the German situation was discussed.—Reuter.

## ENVOY REFUSES TO GIVE UP PHOTOS

BERLIN, TO-DAY.  
THE COLOMBIAN MINISTER IS RETURNING HOME WITHOUT PRESENTING HIS CREDENTIALS TO HERR HITLER.

It is reported that the Minister took photographs of German outrages against Jews and refused to give them up to the German authorities.

As a consequence, his application to be presented to Hitler has been refused.—Reuter.

## —ROOSEVELT'S INFLUENCE SOUGHT

Paris, To-day.  
It is authoritatively stated that it has been decided, following the Franco-British talks, to appeal to President Roosevelt to use his influence with certain South American Governments so that they also will contribute to solution of the Jewish refugee problem.—Reuter.

It is learned from reliable sources that a large number of high Chinese officials who are now in the colony will leave for Chungking at the week-end.

It is understood that they are recalled by the Chinese Government to attend the 5th. plenary session of the Central Executive Committee which will be held in Chungking on December 15.

## UNITED STATES CAPTURING SOVIET TRADE

New York, To-day.  
The United States is displacing Germany in the Soviet market. Russian purchases of American goods have increased almost ten-fold in the five years since the United States officially recognised the Soviet.

In the first nine months of 1938, American sales to the Soviet totalled over £11,000,000.

This year they are expected to reach £15,000,000, whereas in 1933 they totalled only £1,777,000.

Meanwhile, Germany's exports to the Soviet have declined sharply, and the Reich is now third, with America easily first.

### STRAINED RELATIONS

Trade experts attribute the change to the increasing strain in Soviet-Nazi relations, fear of war and the European arms race.

The Soviet, for example, has experienced great difficulty in placing orders in England, due to British absorption in the rearmament programme, and has shifted to the United States.

Recently the Soviet established an export corporation in New York solely to deal with armament orders.—Reuter.

still held by the Chinese.

The Japanese column advancing from Samshui northward by the highway, with Lapau on the North River as their objective, suffered over 500 casualties during engagements at Yangmeihu.—Central News.

## DEMAND FOR DALADIER'S RESIGNATION

PARIS, TO-DAY,  
THE SOCIALIST GROUP, LARGEST SINGLE PARTY IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, YESTERDAY PASSED A RESOLUTION DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

The Government, says the resolution, "no longer has a majority either in the Chamber or the country, and its reactionary policy and systematic provocation in regard to world labour is becoming a danger both to the nation and the Republic."—Reuter.

Shiukwan, To-day.  
Presaging large-scale fighting around Samshui, on the West River, some 10,000 Japanese reinforcements are being concentrated along the Canton-Samshui Railway, and extensive military movements are noticeable between Canton and Samshui.

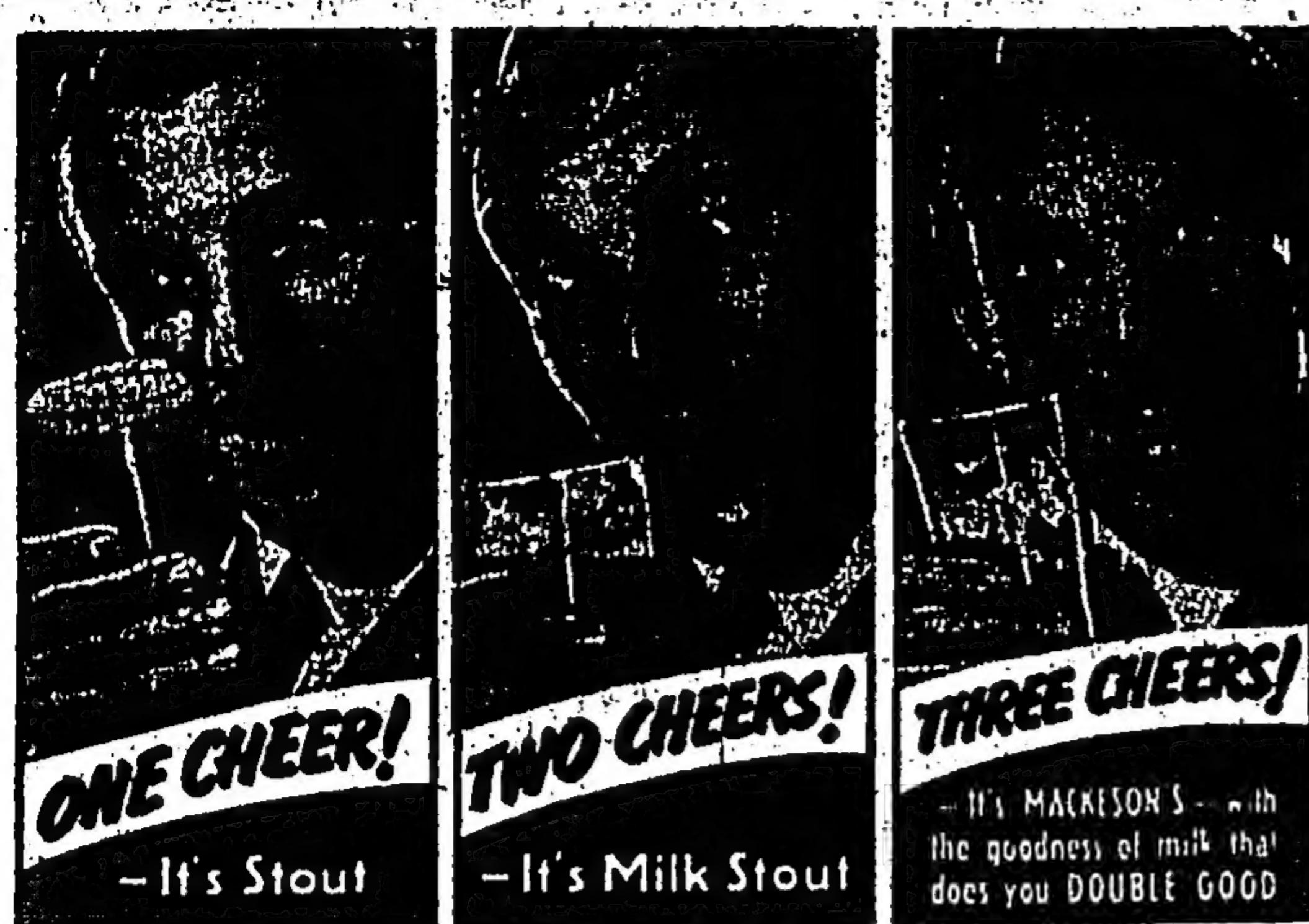
Mafong, above Samshui, which has been the scene of bitter fighting during the last three days is



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### IMPORTANT POINTS

Every now and then someone is found sighing, in print or in public speech, for the spacious days before the spelling of English had settled down into the dull uniformity which now infests our pages; he looks back with longing to the time when a book might be a "boke" or a "bok" or a "booke" at the discretion of the writer, who might even decide to spell it all three ways within the same paragraph. And certainly the variations ("My spelling is good spelling but it wobbles," as one of the characters observes in "Winnie the Pooh") do not usually put any insuperable obstacle between the reader and the sense of the passage. That is the point which the Archbishop of York had in mind when he told some school children that punctuation matters more than spelling, because, though bad spelling is untidy to look at, bad punctuation reflects the muddled mind which is unable to get its own thought clearly shaped and clearly expressed. It is true, of course, that the errant comma can make a much bigger mess of a sentence than a slip in the matter of spelling; all the warnings on that subject usually lead off with the celebrated offer for sale of "A piano, the property of a lady with carved legs." And the absence of any punctuation at all except a full stop (a simplification often practised by those who just "can't be bothered"—with the other trivial dots and dashes) can produce such quite insoluble problems as the famous and unhelpful poser set by the oracle "Thou shalt go thou shalt return never in battle shalt thou perish." It is, therefore, well that someone of Dr. Temple's standing should defend the specks that mean so much to the significance of the printed or written page; the clear mind will automatically display itself in the easy and appropriate distribution of those mighty atoms.

### Wisdom While You Wait

Though that "plebiscite feeling" may be a little out of favour in Czechoslovakia, one result of our recent crisis has evidently been a considerable anxiety to feel the patient's pulse in the British Isles. What with one newspaper running a ballot to discover whether we love National Service as much as we ought to, and another announcing the results of a searching and profoundly "scientific" inquiry into whether we also love Mr. Chamberlain as well as a National Register (the answer is apparently "Yes" in both cases), the new game is well launched. And, as nothing (for the moment) succeeds like excess in these matters, once the ball has been set rolling no doubt other people will hastily line up to have a kick at it, as they did in the case of newspaper insurance schemes and free books for faithful readers. There may soon be ballots on every bookstall and inquirers on every doorstep making nice little notes of the free and independent householder's reactions to everything from the Pact of Paris to the Athanasian Creed. Polling booths will be all over the place and British Bureaux of Bulldog Brain-Power will blossom in every hamlet.

In fact, when all these rival inquisitions have stolen its ineffective thunder the next general election may prove to be the biggest flop in history; the famous advice "Vote early and vote often" will have been followed so thoroughly that the languid elector may decline to put a cross on the original but now old-fashioned form. And, of course, if any genius can combine these unofficial inquiries into the patient's mental condition with the system of rewards as offered by the football pool promoters, well, the Grandmother of Parliaments might as well go out of business straight away.

### As a Going Concern

Anybody whose taste runs in the direction of a private house of correction, complete with the preliminary premises for sending people there, ought to be interested in the news that the Tombs Prison in New York City, together with the Criminal Courts Building that is attached to it, has been offered for sale. But not, it appears, "with vacant possession," for although notices announcing that the premises are for sale have been hung outside the prison it seems to be a fact that there are still convicts inside. Those will have to be removed in the first place, for though there may be purchasers who are ready to acquire a second-hand gaol and court of criminal jurisdiction, no one can feel much enthusiasm for a lot of second-hand prisoners. The tempting thing would be to start afresh with a private court and a private prison for the incarceration of all those whom the purchaser regarded as enemies of society. It sounds just the hobby for a retired millionaire—but for the fact that he might want to start off by taking all the other millionaires into custody.

### \* \* \* Null and Vojd?

Not much news seems to come out of Russia nowadays—at least nothing like the stream of strange tales highly coloured which used to emerge when the Riga rumour factory was apparently working full time with day and night shifts. So perhaps one should be chary of accepting the story that Stalin is to be known in future as "the Great Red Vojd." It does indeed sound a little too picturesque to be true—particularly if the "j" could be treated as an English "i." Actually, it is reported that the word is merely another term for dictator; but it certainly brings a note of novelty into the autocratic arrangements of modern Europe. And it may be, too, that the new dictator is now getting a little "townified"—almost a bourgeois conception that belongs to built-up areas.

# GIRL OF FOUR GAGGED AND TIED IN SACK

## JAPAN NOW REFUSES TO ADMIT JEWS

Following the steps of her newly-found ideological ally, Japan is now refusing visas to Jews. The China Press learns.

While this decision was put into effect prior to the agreement between Japan and Germany for the conclusion of a pact for the promotion of cultural relations, which was only announced last Wednesday, it is believed that the ban on Jews is not unconnected with this new treaty.

According to the terms of the proposed pact, Japan will recognize the racial principle peculiar to Germany, among other things.

However, The China Press was informed that the refusal to grant visas to Jews, which started in Shanghai approximately a month ago, does not include Jews of larger countries. Only Russian Jews without passports are at present hit by this ban.

Foreign observers pointed out that Japan could not possibly refuse visas to foreign Jews, since not even the Reich cared to risk international complications which were sure to follow the promulgation of such discrimination.

Little credit is given reports that this ban was decided upon after it was discovered that most of the foreigners arrested in Japan for illegal profit-making on the exchange were Jews. It was pointed out that this could not possibly be the reason, for there were as many foreigners of non-Jewish origin as Jews implicated in exchange transactions.

## Victims' Eyes As Weights

In a few years an unknown soldier has rebuilt an empire which had almost ceased to exist, has worked with such energy that his subjects now say he has forgotten how to eat and sleep.

Persia, land of poets and conquerors, mosques and mountains, had fallen into decay.

Misruled by corrupt Shahs, the moth-eaten Empire was crumbling.

One Shah had begun his reign by erecting a huge scale in the market place. One scoop was weighted with lead, the other was balanced with the gouged-out eyes of his rebellious subjects.

The army existed almost solely on paper. Only a few ragged ghosts could have slouched to the defence of the land of the Silver Lion.

But in 1878 Reza Shah was born. He was to give back Persia its glory. The story is told by Mahomed Essad-Bey in his biography, "Reza Shah" (Hutchinson, 15s.).

## Police Arrest Boy Of 13

A fair-haired schoolboy, aged thirteen, was arrested and charged with the murder of four-year-old Beryl Oborne, who earlier in the day was found—trussed with string and gagged with strips of cloth—in a sack in a coal-shed in the house next to her home in Hazellville-road, Holloway, No. 19.

The boy was arrested after Scotland-yard officers had taken him to Hornsey-road police station by car.

Beryl was missed tea-time; an all-night search followed; the boy was questioned when he returned from school at midday.

The juvenile court covering the Holloway district is not sitting, so the boy will be brought before the Lambeth Juvenile Court magistrates.

Beryl was playing in the garden in front of her home on Wednesday afternoon. She could not be found when her young mother Aoa Oborne, went to call her for tea.

### NEIGHBOURS HELP

Neighbours and police joined in the all-night search, but there was no trace of Beryl until the widow who lives in the ground-floor flat of the house next door ran screaming, almost fainting, up the stairs to gasp out the news of her discovery in the coalhouse.

The child had been strangled. String was bound around her legs, arms, and throat. The sack containing her body had been placed beneath packing cases.

The news reached Beryl's playmates at school. At midday they raced home, offered their stories to

the uniformed policeman standing on guard at the front gate of the house with yellow lace curtains, on the top floor of which Beryl lived with her mother, grandmother and Aunt Katie.

While they jostled for front place to tell of their skipping rakes with the "little fat girl from the top of the hill"—of games of hide-and-seek with her in empty rooms and corridors in the block of flats nearing completion opposite—detectives worked in the leaf-strewn garden at the back of the house next to Beryl's home.

### SEEN ON MONDAY

Scotland-yard cameramen dodged under a line of washing to obtain favourable viewpoints away from the shadow of the trees which encircle the garden.

The news was taken to the shops thirty yards away at which Beryl, running for her mother's errands, stopped to buy herself a halfpenny "Fireman's Ladder" made of liquorice.

It travelled down the hill to Welble House, Goldie House and Ritchie House—the three blocks of council flats.

One small boy arrived with the sangerbox on wheels in which Beryl had often had a ride—"a free ride," he explained: "she was too small to take her turn at pushing."

Beryl's ten year-old friend Peggy McIntyre said to me: "I remember we saw Beryl on Monday because she brought out her doll in a pram. She didn't ever bring out her doll much. She played with our dolls; she was saving hers."

## GERMANY MUST CLAIM COLONIES, STATES NAZI

Berlin, Nov. 20.

"As National Socialists we must claim the colonies of which we were robbed. God has not created all peoples for the sole purpose of enabling Britain and France alone to live," Herr F. Faehler, prominent leader of the German Colonial League, asserted in the course of a vigorous speech to-day.

Herr Faehler delivered this address in commemoration of German colonial pioneers who died during the World War. The commemoration service was organized by a regiment of the Storm Troopers.

All people must share the treasures of the world," Herr Faehler continued.

Asserting that all former German plantations and farms in the ex-German colonies are now again in German hands, he declared that the total of the Reich's imports from the former possessions amounts to-day to 350,000 marks.

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Tether harness for pigs is used by Mr. Barton on his farm at Tewin, near Welwyn, Herts. A chain ten yards long is attached to the harness so that the pig can move around easily. Each pig has its own harness. The idea of the harness is to prevent the pig straying too far from the young ones. (Copyright: Fox).

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film "Anything to bring John Loder, the American player, and Jerry shot at Walton-on-the-nearby Air rehearsal scenes the film. (Copyright,



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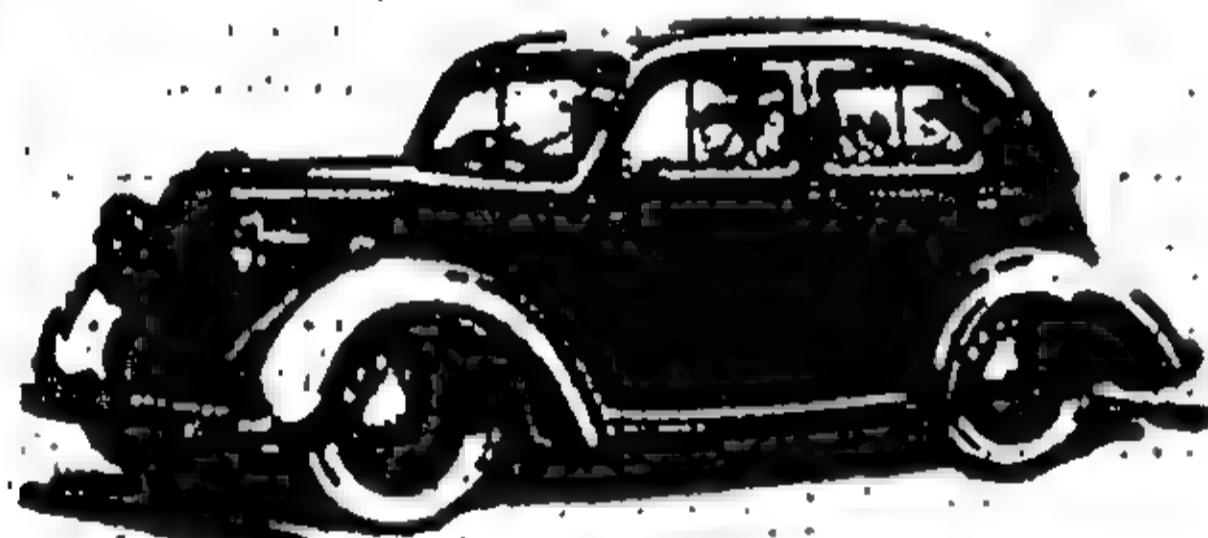


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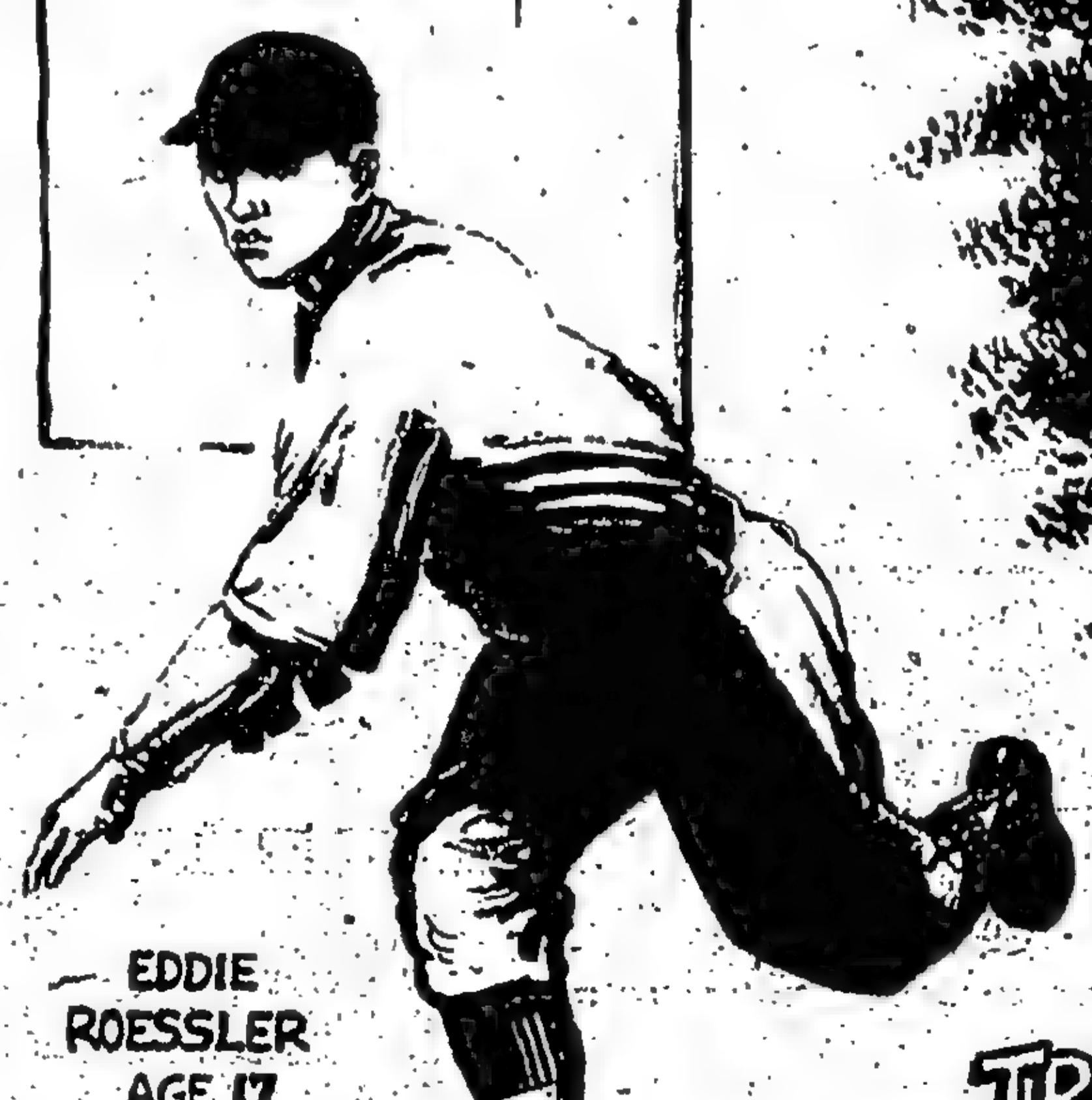
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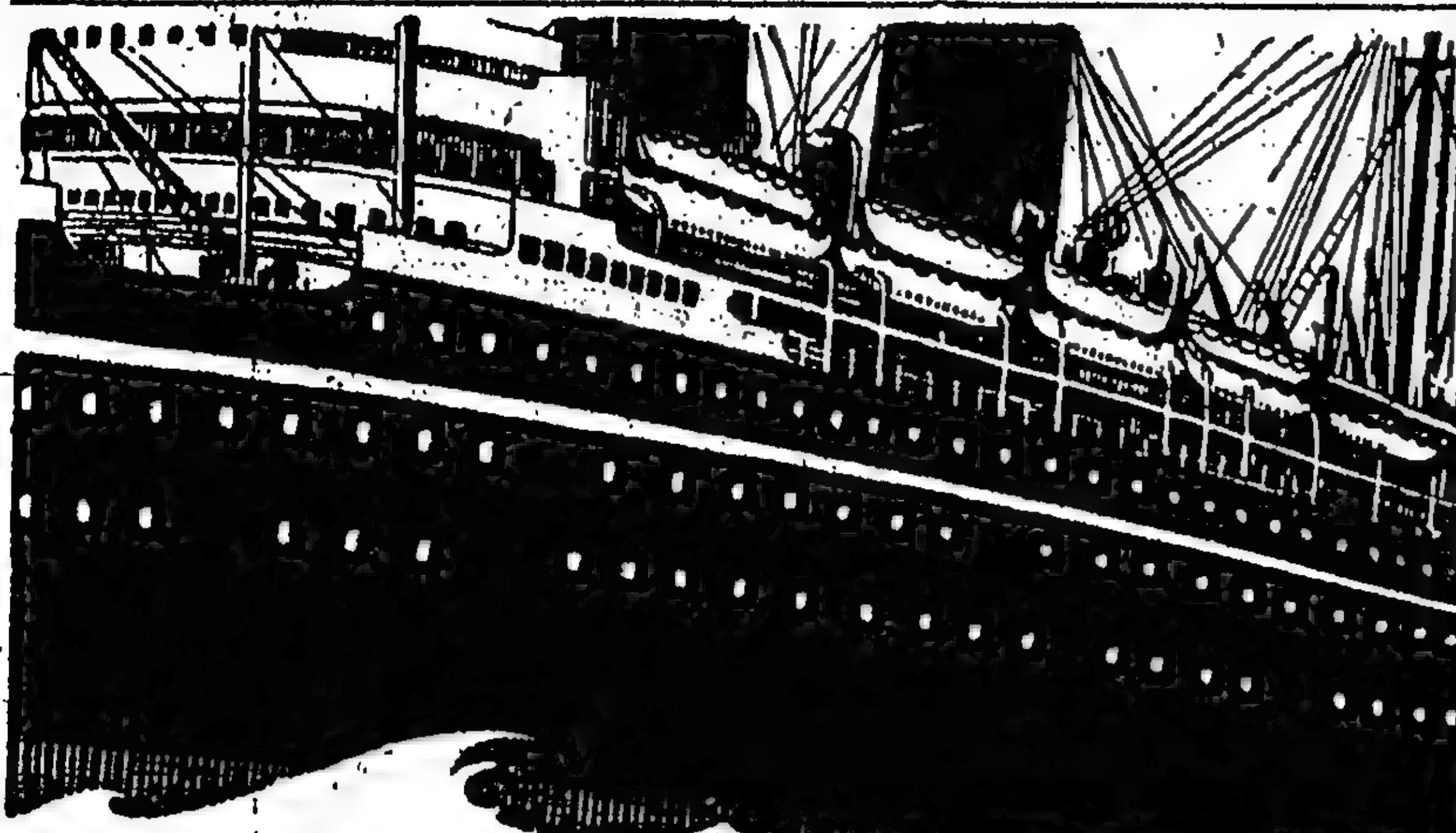
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Manila	.....	Nanking	.....	November 25.
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Shanghai and Swatow	.....	Szechuen	.....	November 26.
Japan	.....	Kamo Maru	.....	November 26.
Japan	.....	Alipore	.....	November 27.
Amoy	.....	Tjisalak	.....	November 27.
Haiphong	.....	Laos	.....	November 27.
Tientsin and Swatow	.....	Huapeh	.....	November 28.
Straits	.....	Achilles	.....	November 28.
Japan and Shanghai	.....	Ajax	.....	November 29.
Straits	.....	Van Heutsz	.....	November 29.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th Dec.	.....	Imperial Airways Plane	.....	Nov. 30.
Japan	.....	Tanda	.....	November 30.
Manila	.....	Scharnhorst	.....	November 30.
Shanghai	.....	Conte Verde	.....	November 30.
Bangkok and Hoihow	.....	Kalgan	.....	November 30.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
Saturday		
Straits, Ceylon, India, East & South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd Dec.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat. Nov. 26.
Par.	.....	Nov. 25, 5 p.m.
Reg.	.....	Nov. 26, 9.45 a.m.
Ord.	.....	Nov. 26, 10.30 a.m.
U.S.A., Central & South America via Corneville, San Francisco—due San Francisco, 25th Dec.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat. Nov. 26.
Parcels,	.....	Nov. 26, 3 p.m.
Reg.	.....	Nov. 26, 4.15 p.m.
Ord.	.....	Nov. 26, 5 p.m.
Amoy	.....	Yochow.
Amoy	.....	Anhui.
Sunday		
Foochow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Kronviken	Nov. 27, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Swatow	Yunnan	Nov. 28, 8.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Singapore	Alipore	Nov. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	Nov. 28, 11.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 5th Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon. Nov. 28.
K.P.O.—Reg.	.....	Nov. 28, 5 p.m.
Ord.	.....	Nov. 28, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.—Reg.	.....	Nov. 28, 5 p.m.
Ord.	.....	Nov. 28, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 5th Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon. Nov. 28.
K.P.O.—Reg.	.....	Nov. 28, 5 p.m.
Ord.	.....	Nov. 28, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.—Reg.	.....	Nov. 28, 5 p.m.
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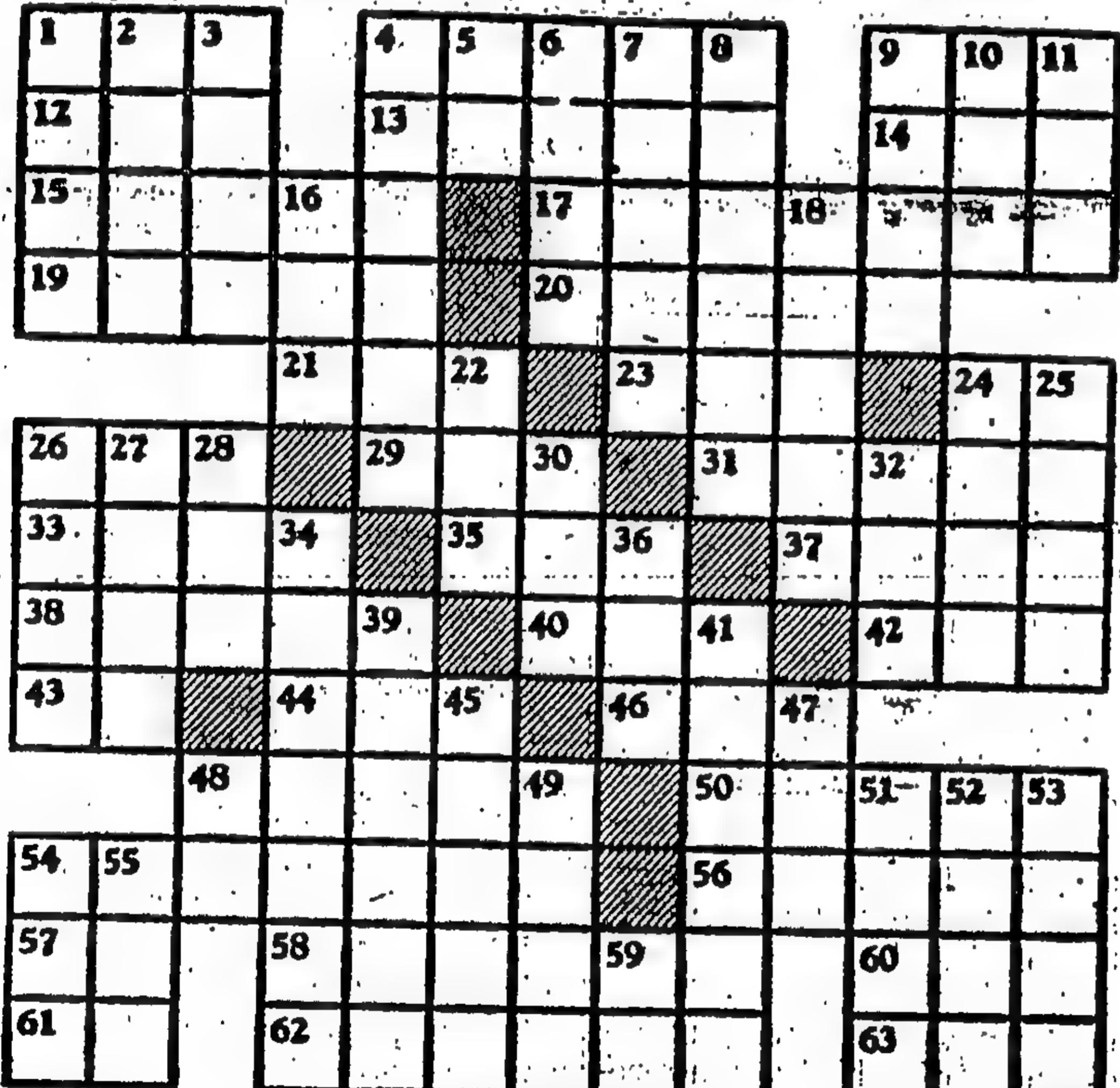
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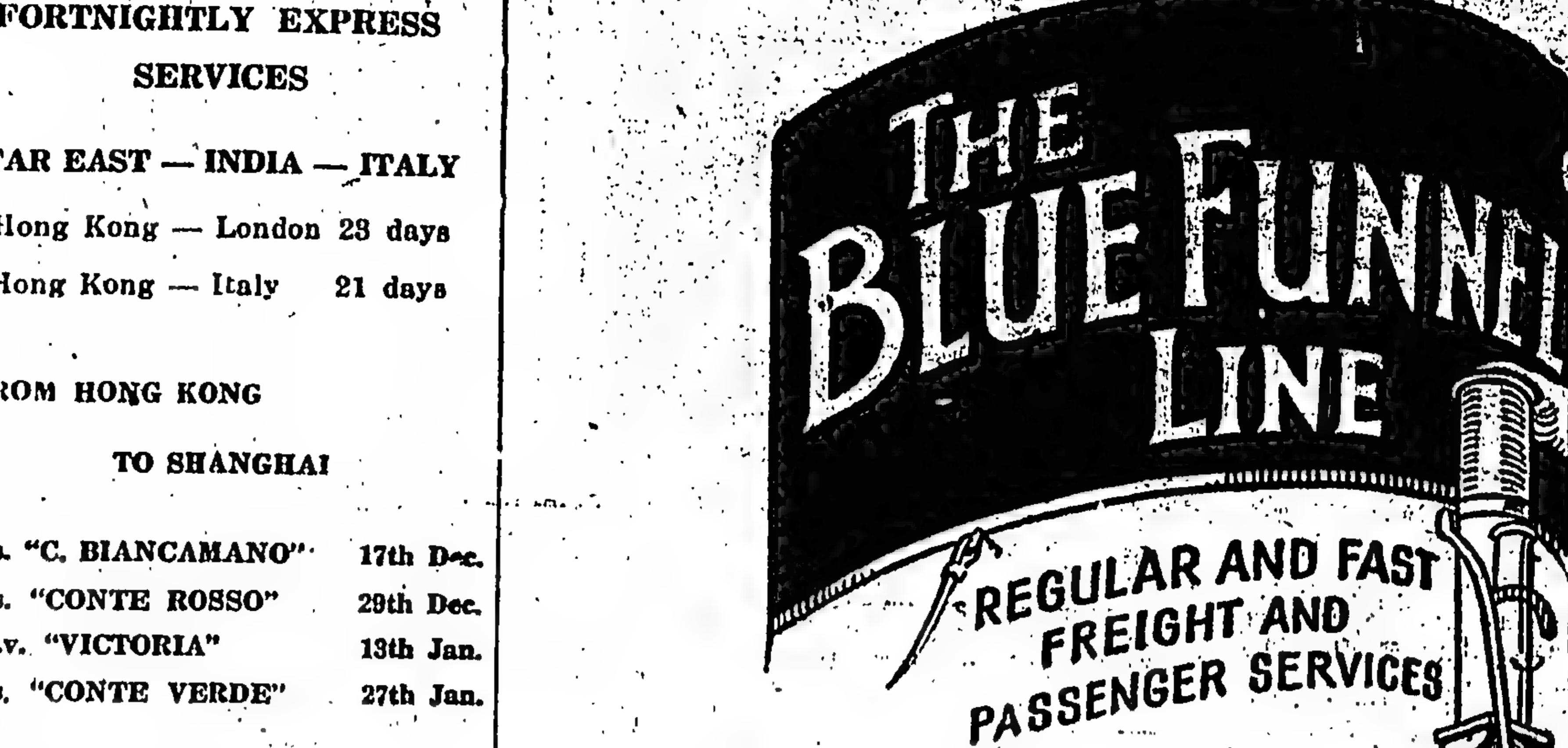
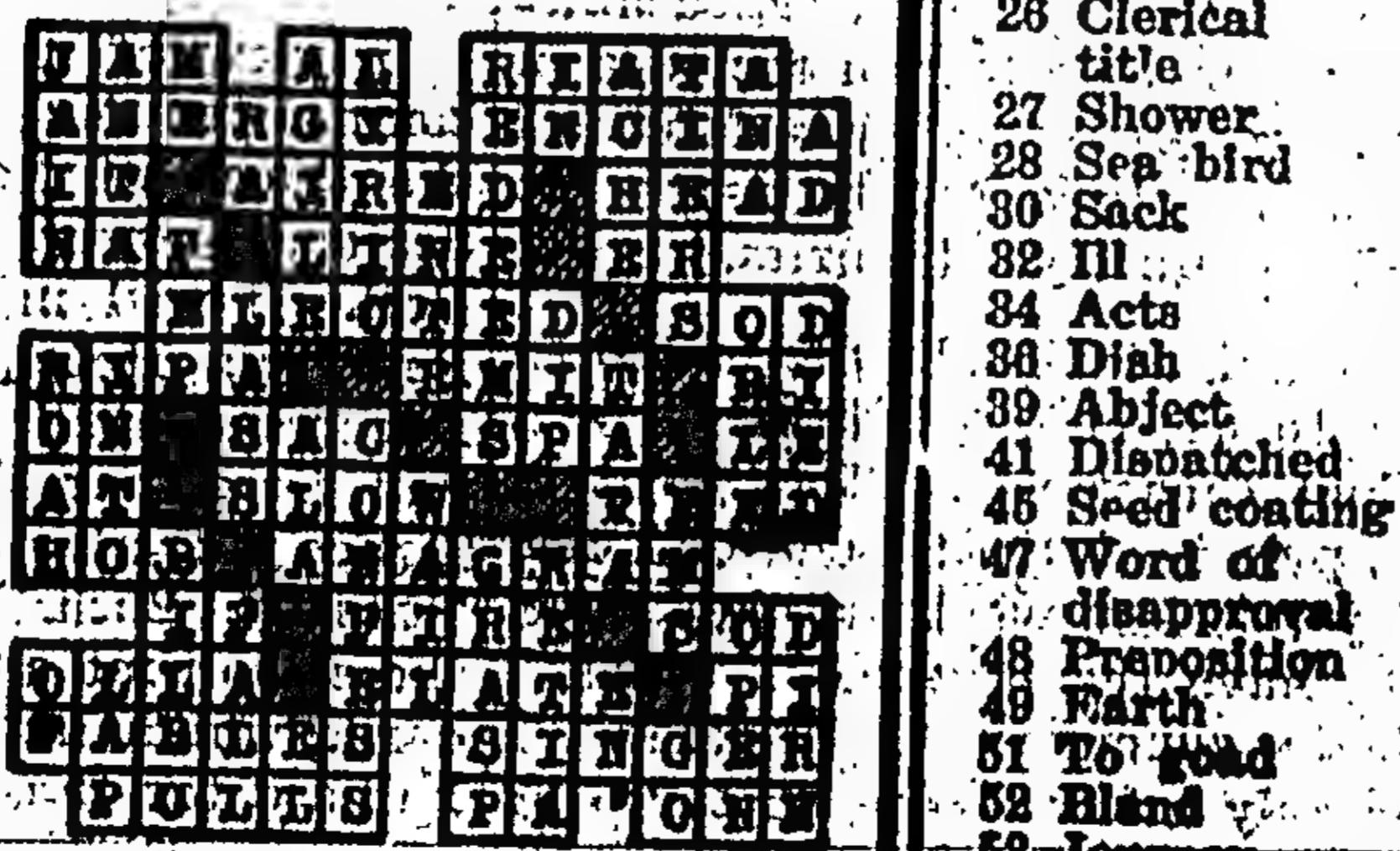


HORIZONTAL

- Herd of whales
- Tyro
- Trench extension
- Mouths
- Silly
- Palm leaf
- Notoriety
- Fine gauzes
- Sylvan deity
- Voyages
- Dawn
- Prodigies
- Cult of dove
- From among
- Land measure
- Gist
- Aristocratic
- African horse
- Dove
- Courts
- Flexible shoot
- Briach
- To dress fit
- One
- Small house
- Known in cribbage
- Measures

- Profound sleep
- Conditional stipulation
- Japanese gate
- Butterfly
- Unimpaired
- Obsolete
- Type measure
- Closed tightly
- Colour
- VERTICAL
- Runs
- Alms chest
- Colloquial beer
- Benefactor
- French article
- Fruit seeds
- Pertaining to a bone
- Injury
- French coin (pl.)
- Beverage
- Dance
- All the while
- Sailing ship
- To bleach
- Portpourri
- Seedless plant
- Clerical title
- Shower
- Sea bird
- Sack
- Ill
- Acts
- Dish
- Abject
- Disbatched
- Seed coating
- Word of disapproval
- Preposition
- Earth
- To road
- Blind
- Journey
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- Gypsy man
- Note of scale

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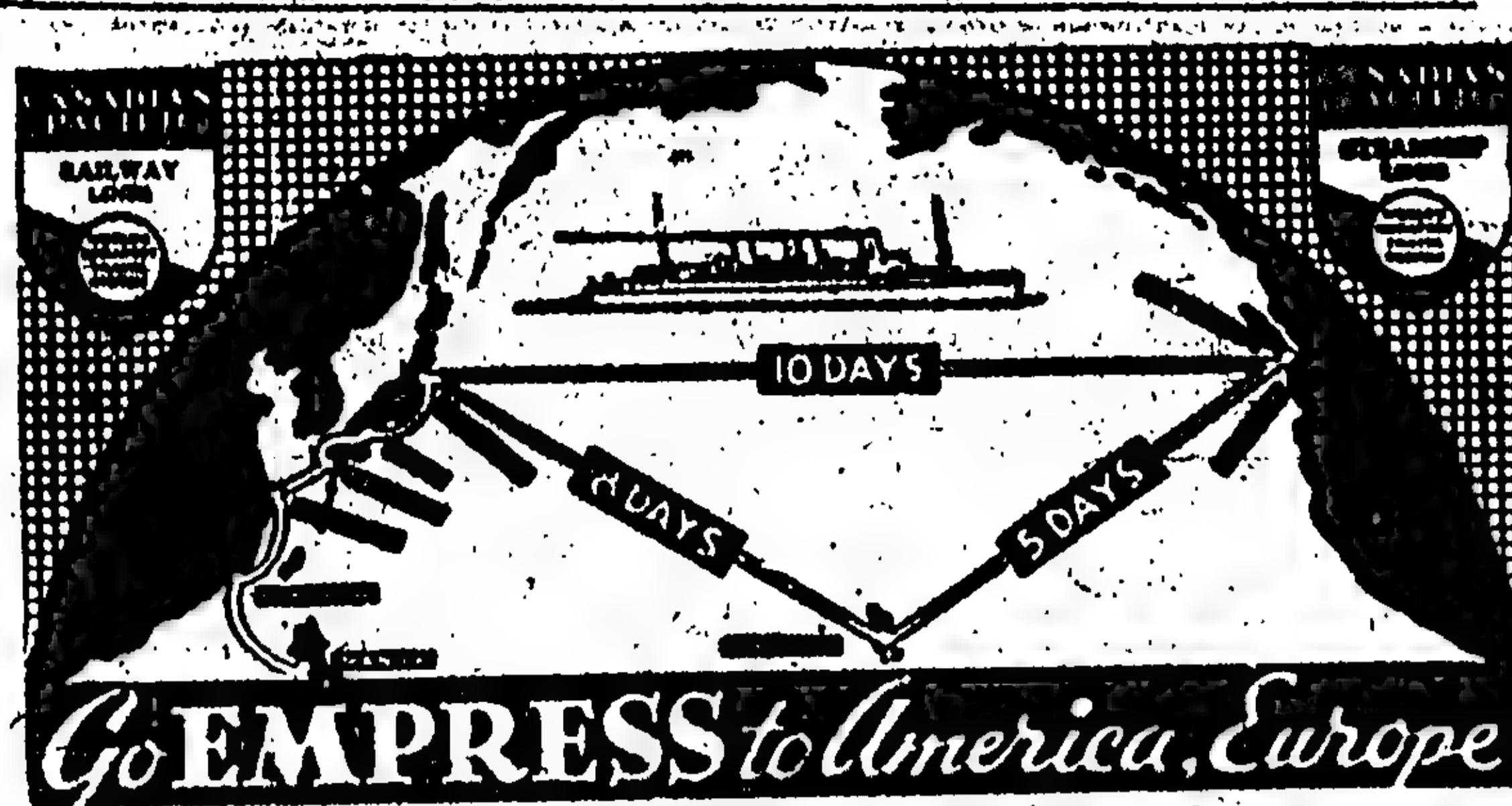
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Polish regular troops have occupied Czaca, on the Slovak-Polish border.

This is presumed to be a sequel to the official Polish communiqué yesterday accusing the Czechoslovak authorities of aiding an armed attack on the Polish mission which was delimiting the frontier.

Two members of the mission, the Poles alleged, were wounded and Poland withdrew from the frontier delimitation. — Reuter.

CLASH OCCURS

Warsaw, To-day.  
A clash between Polish and Czechoslovak troops occurred in the Yavorina region, on the frontier of the two countries, according to reports received here which add that the clash arose out of the Poles wishing to occupy a strip of territory which the Czechoslovaks refused to cede.

It is further stated that serious divergencies have arisen between the commissions appointed by the two Governments to delimit boundaries.

It was apparently in consequence of these divergencies that the Poles resorted to force.

Casualties are reported on both sides but no details so far are available.—Trans-Ocean.

CUBA'S DEFENCES

Havana, To-day.  
Colonel Batista, chief of the army, was given an enthusiastic reception on his return from Washington yesterday.

In Washington, by invitation of the United States, he had discussed the American rearmament programme.

Colonel Batista refused to make any official declaration in regard to the result of the discussions.

However, an unconfirmed rumour says that he brought back a proposal for a military alliance with the United States which is said to provide for extensive coast defence works and air bases in Cuba. — Reuter.

KILLED GIRL AS  
SACRIFICE

A beautiful blonde girl, aged nineteen, was made a human sacrifice in Houghton, Michigan, by a fanatical couple, who beat her to death "to rid the house of evil spirits."

The girl, Marian Doyle, had been nurse to the child of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Pichette. They went to the priest of their church and calmly told him what they had done. "I have the power of Christ," Pichette announced. "I knew I could only bring peace on earth by driving away evil spirits, which meant killing Marian."

A TIRED HERO  
SMILES

A Grey little man, tired and care-worn, stood meekly in the drizzle outside a London suburban house.

Obediently he smiled—at the request of an embarrassed photographer.

He raises his hat for another cameraman. His ready compliance with their requests seemed almost like that of a man crushed.

Then he walked slowly to the car at the gate and drove off through the drab afternoon.

His name is in "Who's Who."

Beneath is the description: "One of the leading figures in the Little Entente."

LED A NATION

But even the 1938 volume is out of date. The little man is now a leading figure nowhere save in a nation's secret thoughts.

He is Dr. Eduard Benesh, former President of Czechoslovakia.

There was drama in his appearance outside the house in Gwendolen avenue, Putney where he has found refuge—but it was a drama in drabness.

Mist was rising from the damp pavements, the last roses in the short front garden were dripping in the rain, the atmosphere was oppressive and the man who had led the Czechoslovak nation looked a tired and sick man.

In his fawn overcoat, sombre brown suit and trilby hat you would have taken him for an ordinary, dull worker in some uninspired occupation.

HIS WIFE BESIDE HIM

By him stood his plump, pretty wife.

They seemed almost eager to do as the photographers wished—like two timid people afraid of hurting anyone's feelings.

At a window above them three little boys craned their necks to see all the excitement below, and they laughed among themselves as husband and wife stood posing.

Theirs was ready laughter.

But the man below smiled only to oblige a camera-man.

The man who had been one of the leading figures in the Little Entente went for a dull drive round the wet London streets.

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In view of the Court mourning commanded for Her late Majesty the Queen of Norway it has been decided to postpone St. Andrew's Ball. It will now be held in the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, 23rd December, 1938 in substitution for 2nd December, 1938. The Practice Dance will also be postponed until Tuesday, 20th December, 1938 at the same time and place. Invitation cards which have been issued will be used for the altered dates.

R. M. BRYDEN,  
Joint Hon. Secretary.



# NO UMPIRES FOR LADIES' HOCKEY?

## Two Senior Soccer Ties For To-Day

### MIDDLESEX MEET POLICE

The manoeuvres have caused the cancellation of a large number of soccer games, but an interesting fixture should be witnessed at Sookkunpoon, where Middlesex entertain Police in the First Division of the League.

The Police have, since the introduction of Chinese players, done well but in spite of their great improvement they are not expected to account for Middlesex.

Sergeant Britton who played at left outside last season, returns to the Middlesex team in his old position, while Bright their pivot, will still be an absentee. His place will be filled by Courtney, while Simmonds will fill the inside right berth.

The other First Division game is between the two South China teams, and a win for "A" is expected.

## LOCAL FOOTBALL FORECASE

The following is this week's soccer programme:

**TO-DAY**  
First Division  
South China "B" v South China "A"  
(Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)  
Referee:—Kossick.  
Linesmen:—Silva and Demme.  
Middlesex v Police  
(Sookkunpoon, 4.15 p.m.)  
**Second Division**  
Eastern v Police  
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)  
Referee:—Omar.  
**TO-MORROW**  
Third Division ("B" Section)  
Powhatan v A. S. A.  
(Club, 2.45 p.m.)  
Referee:—Barreto.

## MANOEUVRES MAY CAUSE SEVERAL POSTPONEMENTS

## H. K. Ladies—"Y" Ladies Best Match To-Day

(By "STICKS")

As a result of combined manoeuvres, a temporary crisis has arisen in ladies' hockey as there may be no umpires available for this afternoon's programme of six matches, two Caer Clark Cup and four Brawn Cup, all of which will take place in Kowloon.

There is a chance, however, that all the games will be played regardless whether umpires officiate or not, and the most interesting game of the day will be seen at King's Park where "Y" Ladies, champions of the senior League, meet Hong Kong Ladies who are making a strong comeback this season with an all-powerful attack.

Miss Marie Smith will still be an absentee to-day and as a result the "Y" team is likely to be the same as last Saturday's which beat the Central British Schoolgirls by two clear goals.

### GOOD FORWARD LINE

Hong Kong Ladies have an excellent forward line and with Miss Mary Smalley again available on the right-wing, should fully extend the "Y" defence.

The player "Y" defence will have to watch is the visiting centre-forward, Miss B. Basry, who likes a through pass and who is usually dangerous anywhere near the circle.

In the remaining senior game Central British Association Ladies should easily account for Central British Schoolgirls.

### RECORDS TO FALL?

By far the best encounter in the Junior League should be that between the hitherto unbeaten C.B.A.

### LADIES' HOCKEY PROGRAMME

**CAER CLARK CUP**  
C.B.A. v C.B.S.  
(C.B.A., 2.45 p.m.)  
H.K. Ladies v "Y" Ladies  
(King's Park, 2.45 p.m.)  
**BRAWN CUP**  
C.B.A. Ladies v Seaforts Ladies  
(C.B.A., 4 p.m.)  
C.B.S. v "Y" Ladies  
(C.B.S., 3 p.m.)  
Recreio "A" v Recreio "B"  
(Recreio, 3 p.m.)  
H.K. Ladies v D.G.S.  
(Happy Valley, 3 p.m.)

## NEXT WEEK'S FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

### Second Division

5th R.A. v Middlesex  
(Military, 4.15 p.m.)  
Referee:—Gamlin.  
Third Division "B"  
R.A.F. v 24th R.A.  
(Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)  
Referee:—McIlgrew.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

R.A.M.C. v R.E. (E.)  
(St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Edwards.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

### First Division

Police v Club  
(Boundary Road, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Kossick.  
Linesmen:—Phillips and Smith.  
South China "A" v Kowloon  
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Hinchliffe.  
Linesmen:—Wilson and Wilkins.  
Eastern v Middlesex  
(Club, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Thomas.  
Linesmen:—Somerville and Stone.

### Second Division

Police v South China  
(Boundary Road, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Clark.  
Middlesex v Engineers  
(Military, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Finch.  
5th R.A. v Kowloon  
(Military, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Molyneaux.  
Club v Kwong Wah  
(Club, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Hooper.

### Junior Shield Replay

St. Joseph's v 24th R.A.  
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—MacCormac.  
Third Division "A"  
Kit Che v 30th R.A.  
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Ip.

R.A.S.C. v P.W.D.  
(Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Silva.

### Third Division "B"

A.S.A. v R.A.F.  
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Gomes.  
Kumaon R. v R.E. (E.)  
(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Brothwell.  
Signals v Stonecutters W/S.  
(Prince Edward Road, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Demee.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

### First Division

St. Joseph's v South China "B"  
(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Stedman.  
Linesmen:—Marriott and Farr.

Royal Scots v Navy  
(Sookkunpoon, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Ottaway.  
Linesmen:—Hartley and Purnell.

### Second Division

Eastern v Royal Scots  
(Club, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Omar.  
Third Division "A"  
5th R.A. v Royal Scots  
(Sookkunpoon, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Waldrone.  
Stanley v South China  
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Havelock.  
R.E. (C.) v Electric  
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Aylwin.

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## DIOCESAN GIRLS SCHOOL CONCEDE WALK OVER

As Diocesan Girls School are unable to raise a team for their Brawn Cup match to-day, they have conceded a walk-over to Hong Kong Ladies.

A colonial fighter making a name for himself in England at the moment is the British Guiana bantamweight, Kid Tanner, whose record in England to date is 15 contests for 15 wins. It is his ambition to win the British flyweight bantamweight and featherweight titles. He has been fighting men much heavier than himself.



**MENZEL TO PLAY FOR GERMANY**

Czechoslovakia's Loss

Prague, November 14.—Roderich Menzel, for many years the leading lawn tennis player in Czechoslovakia, has now gone to live in Berlin, where he will associate himself with the Red White Lawn Tennis Club, of which he has been a member for some years.

Menzel is expected to play for Germany in the next Davis Cup competition.

**To-day's Cricket Programme**

The following is to-day's friendly cricket programme:  
Craigengower C.C. v. Royal Engineers  
University v. Indian R.C.  
Recreio v. La Salle College

To-day's Ladies' Hockey programme:

**SHEFIELD SHIELD CRICKET COMMENCES****Queensland's Big Start**

Brisbane, To-day. Queensland met New South Wales, the holders, in the opening match of the Sheffield Shield series and at the close of play had scored 288 runs for the loss of only four wickets.

A first wicket partnership between W. A. Brown, the Australian Test cricketer and Rodgers realised 100 in 107 minutes, Brown being run out at 84. Close of play scores were Cook 31 not out and Baker 41 not out.—Reuter.

**Two Rugby Games For To-Day****Club To Meet Medway**

There will be two Rugby games on the Club ground, Happy Valley, to-day. In the first game, which will commence at 3.00 p.m., a combined Club-Navy side will play the Lancashire Fusiliers.

On account of the combined operations, the Club has been unable to field two sides this weekend, and players from the Navy are kindly completing the numbers for the A XV.

At 4.15 p.m., the Club 1st. XV will play H.M.S. "Medway."

Surgeon Lt. Comdr. Nicholson is refereeing the 3.00 p.m. game and Lt. Comdr. Kennedy the later one at 4.15 p.m. Club sides have been selected as follows:

1st XV:—G. S. Wilson; D. I. Bosquet, H. D. Bidwell (Captain), M. W.



MacGrath, C. J. Powell; F. Cesford, J. R. Henderson; T. H. Pratt, G. J. P. Carey, K. H. G. White, C. M. Stark, H. W. E. Heath, B.O. M. Deane, A. J. G. Taylor and W. B. Richardson.

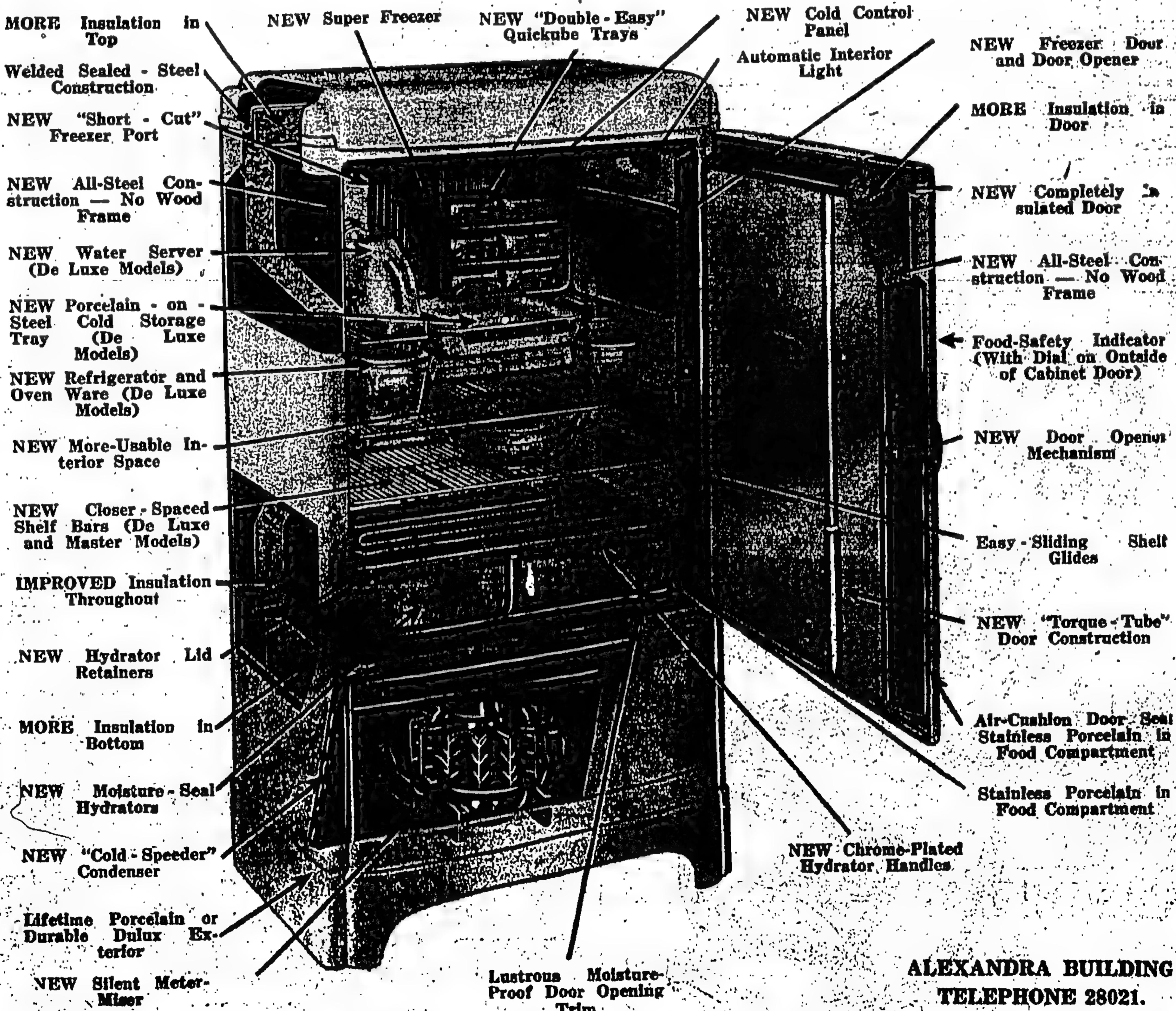
A XV:—A. N. Other (Navy); H. van Leeuwen (Captain), J. Hutchinson, A. N. Other (Navy), A. N. Other (Navy); A. N. Other (Navy), R. Rutherford; J. Moodie, A. N. Other (Navy), A. N. Other (Navy), P. W. Burton, E. C. Luscombe, J. C. Moninick, W. R. N.

For the fourth year in succession Scotland beat England in the girls' golf international match at Stoke Poges by four matches to three.

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Martin Hartigan, the Ogbourne (Eng.) horse trainer, will have no claim on the services of Gordon Richards next year, but the champion jockey will continue to ride for the stable when he is available. Thus an association which is as old as Gordon's career on the Turf, will not be broken.

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## E. R. T. HOLMES RESIGNS SURREY CAPTAINCY

H. M. Garland-Wells  
Named As Successor

(By AIR MAIL)

LONDON, NOVEMBER 10.

SURREY COUNTY CRICKET CLUB HAVE TO FIND A NEW CAPTAIN. E. R. T. HOLMES, WHO HAS LED THE SIDE SINCE 1934, HAS INFORMED THE CLUB THAT HE MUST RESIGN, AS HE CANNOT SPARE THE TIME OWING TO PRESSURE OF BUSINESS.

The Cricket Committee have already discussed the situation, and have nominated H. M. Garland-Wells, the vice-captain, to fill the vacancy. The appointment rests with the General Committee which meets next week.

When interviewed yesterday, Mr. Holmes said:—"I have resigned because, frankly, I have not the time. Business must come first now, but I am sorry to have to give up."

### ENJOYED HIS TENURE

Asked whether he would assist Surrey occasionally, Holmes replied—"Yes, if ever they are stuck for a captain, but I do not want to keep a young man out of the side." He added that he had thoroughly enjoyed his term of office at the Oval. He appreciated the splendid support he received both from amateurs and professionals.

Like Holmes, Garland-Wells received his Blue at Oxford at both cricket and Association football. The captain-elect is a fearless hitter of any type of bowling. He batted especially well last summer, when he also accomplished some excellent work as a slow bowler.

### OWENSMITH MAY MISS TESTS

Johannesburg.  
There is little likelihood that Dr. H. G. Owen-Smith, the former English international Rugby player and all-round cricketer, will be available for the Test matches against the M.C.C. during their forthcoming tour of South Africa.

He has accepted a temporary medical post at Livingstone, in Northern Rhodesia, where he will be stationed until some time in January. At least two of the test matches will have been decided by then.

## HENRY ARMSTRONG INJURED IN FINAL WORK-OUT

(By AIR MAIL)

New York, November 11. Henry Armstrong, world light and welter-weight title-holder, who should meet Cerefino Garcia, the Filipino boxer, to-morrow at the Madison Square Garden, has injured himself during a final work-out at his training camp.

Mike Jacobs, the promoter, states, however, that the fight will still take place, having heard the doctor's preliminary report.

Armstrong was injured as he slipped and fell while shadow-boxing. His doctor describes the injury as "a separation at the juncture of the pelvic bone and spine."

At the time of the accident, Armstrong was holding a brief limbering-up session in the presence of a hundred or so spectators. Armstrong's handlers, who rushed to the champion's aid, stated afterwards that he was in considerable pain. A final decision as to the postponement of the fight will be made after the doctor has made a further examination.

## CARNOUSTIE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF COURSE

### ALTERATIONS IN PROCESS

With the championship course closed to play for this month, Carnoustie golf course staff are carrying through a big programme of improvements. Some of the changes are the direct outcome of criticisms made during the 1937 Open Championship.

After he had won the championship there Cotton ventured the remark that "the course had few greens one could have a shot at." To meet this view, the fifth green is being extended to higher ground on the east and north, and the bunkering slightly altered.

### NEW TEE

At the famous, eighteenth hole a new tee is being made between the two back tees on the south side of the first burn. This is to enable the long hitter to get far enough forward with his drive to entice him to carry the burn at the green with his second stroke. The low part of the fairway where a drive lands is being raised, as it is apt to be very soft in winter and wet weather.

Professionals will be interested in a bunker change at the ninth. The first bunker on the left from the back tee, a great bone of contention during the Open, is to be removed to a position further west and south, and will not be so penal. The sixteenth green is being raised, as at present it is not easy to see the floor of the green from the tee. This is a one-shot hole.

Other alterations being made mainly concern bunkers. The first bunker on the right at the fourteenth hole is to be carried further east. This is to tighten up the fairway for the very long hitter, and also under certain circumstances to make the second shot a longer carry over the Spectacles bunkers.

## BRUCE HOBBS TO UNDERGO OPERATION

London, November 8. (By AIR MAIL).—Bruce Hobbs, who received a fracture of the spine at Cheltenham races, will be operated on early next week. There is every hope of a complete recovery.

When Percy Arliss, well-known English professional golfer, resigned his appointment as pro. at Templenewson (Eng.), he stated as his chief reason: "I have found the members here do not sufficiently support their professional and although I have no appointment in view I shall find work which will be more congenial than being attached to a club where my services are apparently not appreciated."

## THE KING'S ENTRIES FOR 1940 "CLASSICS"

The King has made several entries for the "Classic" races of 1940. They are:

The Derby—Colt by Rose en Soleil—Phacelia, Voyager and Helios.

The Oaks—Judica, Great Truth, and Mouzelle.

2000 Guineas—Colt by Rose en Soleil—Phacelia and Helios.

1000 Guineas—Judica, Great Truth, and Mouzelle.

St. Leger—Helios, Voyager, Judica, and colt by Rose en Soleil—Phacelia.

There are 346 entries for the Derby 302 for the Oaks, 280 for the 2000 Guineas, 279 for the 1000 Guineas, and 339 for the St. Leger.

## N. H. STEWARDS' NOTICE TO RIDERS

The Stewards of the National Hunt committee have given notice to riders that they must report to the Clerk of the Scales all cases where they do not complete the course, and give the reason therefor. Any rider failing to do so will be reported to the Stewards.

Fraulein Schroder (Germany), won the putting the weight event in the recent European women's athletic championships at Vienna with a distance of 43ft 7.23 ins. In close finish in the 100-metres the winner was, as expected, the Polish athlete, Stanisława Walasiewicz, who covered the distance in 11.9sec.

Over 200,000 people paid to see the Yorkshire Cricket Club's home matches last season and receipts were £18,543. Sheffield had the biggest "gates." From its match with the Australians, Australia received £1758 as her share.

The estate of the late Keith Voitre, a successful New Zealand jockey who died after an accident in Melbourne has been sworn for probate at £12,000. All his property has been bequeathed to his parents, who reside in Palmerston North (N.Z.).

To bring the professional billiards championship conditions into line with those of amateur competition, the hazards rule has been altered and the limit will now be reduced to 15 consecutive winning and losing hazards. The rule was introduced to the amateur championships in 1930.

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# What Is A Billiard Cue?

## INCIDENT AT LONDON SNOOKER MATCH

Players Uses Fountain

### NO DEFINITION IN RULES!

(By AIR MAIL)

LONDON, NOVEMBER 15. WHAT IS A BILLIARDS CUE? THAT IS THE POSER WHICH CONFRONTED CHARLES CHAMBERS, THE REFEREE, IN AN EXTRAORDINARY INCIDENT DURING THE SNOOKER MATCH AT THURSTON'S, LONDON, YESTERDAY, BETWEEN ALEC BROWN AND TOM NEWMAN.

Chambers was just as astounded as the onlookers when Brown, in the fourth frame, brought out of his pocket a fountain pen fitted with a cue-tip to play a shot. Chambers ruled that Brown had fouled, and he was penalised.

The incident arose out of a snooker which Brown had left himself amid a cluster of reds at the top of the table. Brown had to go for a colour, and he pondered over the position for a long time before he drew out his pen.

Newman, Chambers, and everyone else in the hall became the more curious, as, deliberately, Brown chalked the butt end of the pen. Leaning over the top cushion, he propelled the white up table to the black, and made contact.

"Here, what's all this?" queried Newman, going towards Brown from the lower end of the table. "That's a cue all right," replied Brown.

#### RULE BOOK QUOTED

At once there was a hub-bub, while Chambers made a sign as though giving a penalty.

"Is that foul, referee?" called a spectator, and Chambers answered, "Yes, sir." Meanwhile Brown handed the pen-cue to Newman. Then Chambers, in response to the request of another spectator, took a rules book from his pocket and quoted. "The stroke must be made with the tip of the cue."

#### THERE IS A TIP

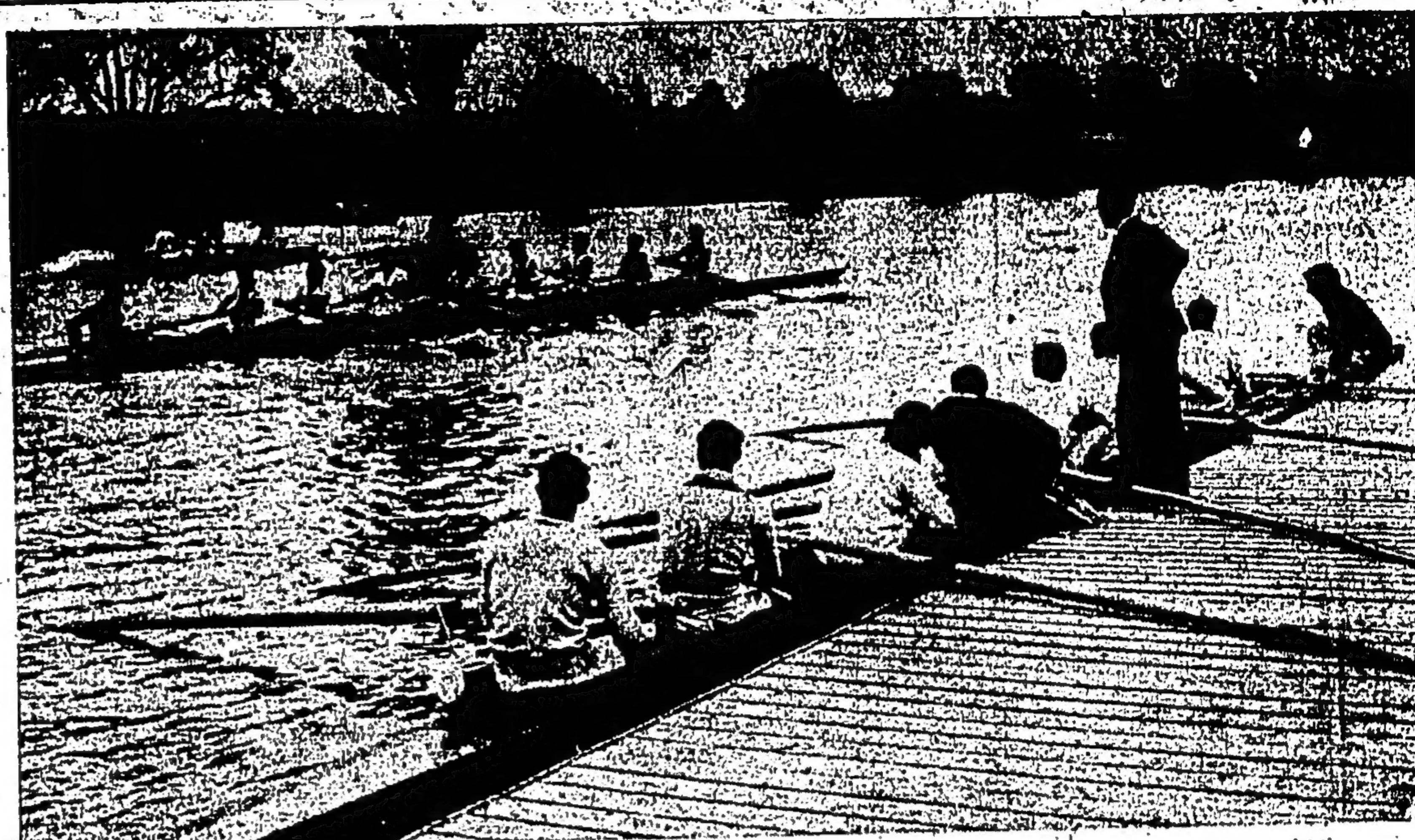
"There is a tip on that," said Brown, showing the pen, "and there is no definition of a cue in the rules."

Chambers ended the discussion by announcing firmly... "that stroke means a penalty of seven against Mr. Brown," and play was resumed.

Mr. John Bisset, chairman of the Billiards Association, arrived a few minutes after the incident, and said to a reporter. "The rules are the rules, and provide for most contingencies. When a matter arises which is not provided for, it is a question of reasonable interpretation by the referee. I say that a fountain pen is not a cue."

#### BROWN EXPLAINS

Brown, explaining the position afterwards, said, "Usually in such circumstances a player balances his



The Oxford University Boat Race Trial Eights have commenced practice on the Isis, at Oxford, and these pictures were taken during the first outing of the "A" and "B" crews. Photo shows—"B" crew watches "A" crew row past the boathouse on the first outing at Oxford. (Copyright, Fox.)



#### LOCKE WINS NEW ZEALAND OPEN

Dunedin, N.Z., November 12. A. D. Locke, the South African player, to-day won the New Zealand Open Championship here with an aggregate of 288, comprising rounds of 75, 69, 72, and 72.

cue as best he can by holding it a few inches from the tip. There is a risk of mis-cueing because of the bend which must take place in the cue.

"I have had this pen in my pocket for 18 months. To-day I felt called upon to use it, and in my opinion I was legally entitled to do so."

Newman laughingly said, "I have seen some funny things during my time, but I could not stand for that. It would have been very nice for Brown if he could have got away with it, but I felt that I had some cause for protest."

#### ALIEN TO THE GAME

Chambers after the session said:—"A pen is not a cue. It is something alien to the game, and the fact that this one had a cue-tip on the end did not convert it into a cue."

Old-time billiards players to whom a reporter spoke could not recall a similar happening. S. H. Fry, eight times amateur champion, said that although there was nothing in the rules to define a cue, everybody knew what a cue should be, and that the interpretation could well be left to the referee.

"The nearest approach to so short a cue that I remember was one used by John Roberts to play a masse stroke, but that was much longer than a fountain pen," he added.

Interview at Leicester, where they are playing a match, Joe Davis, the champion, and Horace Lindrum, of Australia, both supported the views of Brown.

#### Davis And Lindrum Support Brown

Davis said, "It is a very interesting point. We have been playing with the usual cues, for so long that it seems natural to regard them as the only ones permitted. There is nothing in the rules which lays down what is a cue, and I support Brown."

Lindrum said, "I agree with Brown. He has drawn attention to a laxity in the rules regarding cues. The only similar incident in



#### SUCCESSFUL OPERATION ON BRUCE HOBBS

London, November 12. (By Air Mail).—Bruce Hobbs, the jockey, who fractured a bone in his spine when his mount, Pharnace, fell at Cheltenham a fortnight ago, underwent a successful operation yesterday morning. A piece of bone taken from his shin was grafted on to the spine. It is expected that he will make a complete recovery.

[Note.—The rules of billiards and snooker contain no definition of a cue, the only stipulation being that the ball must be struck with the tip of the cue.]

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Don't Ever Change (from "Rhythm in the Clouds"); Once In A While (Green & Edwards) ... Les Allen (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
Peter's Pop Keeps A Lollipop Shop—Novelty Fox-Trot; Music In May—Waltz (from "Careless Rapture") ... Ambrose & His Orchestra with vocal chorus.  
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—Musical Comedy.  
Conversation Piece—Selection (Noel Coward) ... Charles Prentice & His Orchestra.  
The Vagabond King—Huguette (Friml) ... Norah Blaney (Soprano) with Piano.  
Follow A Star—Vocal Gems (Ellis) ... Light Opera Company with Orchestra.  
The Fleet's Lit Up—Selection (Ellis) ... Geraldo & His London Hippodrome Orchestra.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.40 p.m.—Variety with Clapham & Dwyer, The Hill Billies, Judy Garland and Otto Dobrindt & His Orchestra.  
1.50 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

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Dance Orch.—Sunny Days—Fox-Trot Intermezzo; Chorus Of The Clocks—Fox-Trot Intermezzo ... Otto Dobrindt & His Piano Symphonists.  
Vocal—Rolling Down The Hill-Billy Trail (Callin'); Under The Old Pine Tree (Ted & Ezra) ... The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accomp.  
Humorous Sketch—A Surrealist Alphabet (Clapham & Dwyer) ... Clapham & Dwyer.  
Dance Orch.—Straussiana! (Arr. Borschel); Otto Dobrindt & His Piano Symphonists.  
Vocal—Stompin' At The Savoy (Sampson); Swing, Mister Charlie (Brooks) ... Judy Garland (18 years old) with Orchestra.  
Vocal—Cross-Eyed Sue (Hill Billies) ... The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accomp.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6 p.m.—Brahms—Symphony No. 4 In E Minor, Op. 98. Felix Weingartner conducting, the London Symphony Orchestra.  
6.40 p.m.—Anatole Kitain at the Piano. Brahms Waltzes, Op. 39.  
6.52 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.55 p.m.—J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. Spring Song (Mendelssohn — arr. Willoughby); Narcissus (Nevin); Valse Blueté—Air De Ballet (Drigo); Souvenir (Drdla — arr. Willoughby); Phantom Minuet (Hope).  
7.20 p.m.—Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

**Relay From  
England of  
1st Division Match**

8.45 p.m.—Marek Weber & His Orchestra with Dennis Noble (Baritone).  
A Night In Venice—Potpourri (Strauss, arr. Weninger) ... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.  
I Bless The Dawn That Brought Me You (Haydn Wood) ... Dennis Noble (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
At Santa Barbara (Weatherly & Russell) ... Dennis Noble (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
Leo Fall—Potpourri (arr. Doestal) ... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.  
The Devout Lover (White); So We'll Go No More A-Roving (White) ... Dennis Noble (Baritone) with Piano.  
Tres Jolie—Waltz (Waldeufel); Dreams On The Ocean—Waltz (Gung'l) ... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.  
9.20 p.m.—London Relay—London Log.  
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.  
(a) Marcellita; (b) Silencio; (c) Cumparsita; (d) Chavalijo.  
10.05 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.  
10.10 p.m.—(a) Who are we to say; (b) That foo'ish feeling; (c) Afraid to dream; (d) Sensation.  
10.25 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.  
10.35 p.m.—(a) Star-Dust; (b) Lullaby in Rhythm; (c) Where is the Sun?; (d) Boo-Hoo.  
10.50 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.  
11 p.m.—(a) Le Bonheur Que Passe; (b) Tales from the Vienna Woods; (c) Sylva; (d) The Broken Life.  
11.15 p.m.—London Relay—Association Football—Birmingham v. Portsmouth. A commentary on the second half of the match from St. Andrew's Ground, Birmingham.  
12.15 p.m.—Close down.

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South, Dealer  
North-South vulnerable

♦ K J 4	♥ K J	♦ K J 3	♦ A K Q 9 8
♦ Q 8 4 3	W E O S	♦ 3	♦ A K Q 9 8
♦ Q 8 4 3	W E O S	♦ 3	♦ A K Q 9 8
♦ Q 8 4 3	W E O S	♦ 3	♦ A K Q 9 8
♦ Q 8 4 3	W E O S	♦ 3	♦ A K Q 9 8

The bidding:  
South: West: North: East  
1 ♦ Pass 3 ♦ Pass  
2 ♦ Pass 5 ♦ Pass  
3 ♦ Pass 6 ♦ Pass  
4 ♦ Pass 7 ♦ Pass

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# Todays Wireless

**ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.s) and 31.49 M.  
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A Brown Bird Singing (Haydn Wood); I Love The Moon (Rubens); Somewhere A Voice Is Calling (Arthur Tate) ... with Orchestral accompaniment.

7.20 p.m.—A Light Spanish Programme Danza Espanola—No. 6 (Granados) ... Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Ardoz.

La Rosa Oriental (Ramon Espigul) ... Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orchestra.

L'Amour Sorcier (Manuel de Falla): Danse De La Frayeur; Decit Du Pecheur; Danse Rituelle Du Feu ... Ricardo Vines (Piano).

La Corrida (Valverde) ... Castanets Solo by "La Argentina" with Orchestra.

Spanish Dance No. 1—Oriental (Granados); Spanish Dance No. 2—Andelouse (Granados) ... New

Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

Un Barberil d'Alegre (Prado); Sentir Gitano (Munoz Arenillas) ... Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orchestra.

Bouquet Of Spanish Songs. Intro: Perjura; Lolita; La Paloma; La Partida; El Relicario; Ay, Ay, Ay ... Sevillian Seranaders with Orch.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Doreen Ma.

1. Alexander's Ragtime Band—Medley (from the film).

2. Can't Help Lovin' That Man.

3. If I were you.

4. My Blue Heaven.

5. Swingin' Annie Laurie Thru the Rye.

6. Change Partners (from "Care-free").

8.20 p.m.—London Relay—Paul Temple And The Front Page Men. A serial thriller by Francis Durbridge. Episode 4: "Paul Temple Receives a Warning". Characters: The Rev. Charles Hargreaves; Constable White; Paul Temple; "Steve"; Sir Graham Forbes; Gerald Mitchell; Inspector Hunter; Sergeant Leonold; Inspector Reid; Tony Rivoli and A Man. Production by Martyn C. Webster.

12.15 p.m.—Close down.

## What's On At the Cinemas

**AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAM-BRA** — "The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse." Something new at last in gangster films! Interest in criminology starts a well known social doctor on a career of crime that takes him to underworld depths and ends in a trial that is thrilling and bizarre. With Edward G. Robinson, Claire Trevor, Humphrey Bogart, Allen Jenkins, Donald Crisp and Gale Page.

**AT THE KING'S**—"Reformatory" with Jack Holt, Bobby Jordan and Charlotte Wynter. The picture exposes the horrors of reform schools of America.

**AT THE MAJESTIC** — "Woman Against Woman", with Herbert Marshall, Virginia Bruce and Mary Astor. A true and thrilling story about the wife and ex-wife.

**AT THE ORIENTAL** — "The Emperor's Candlesticks", with William Powell and Luise Rainer. The reunion of the "Great Ziegfeld" stars in a story of political intrigue filled with romance and fun.

**AT THE STAR** — "Secret Interlude", with Robert Taylor and Loretta Young. Romance is the keynote, although comedy, drama and suspense are also interwoven in the plot.

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**AT THE KING'S** — "Tarzan's Revenge," Edgar Rice Burroughs' latest and greatest tale of the African jungle brings more thrills and strange creatures than ever thronged any of the writer's previous stories. Glenn Morris, and Eleanor Holm, the world's greatest female swimmer, head the huge cast.

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# Blunt Halt To Idea Of Handing Over Empire

"The statements of Mr. Chamberlain and the attitude of General Smuts in South Africa and Mr. Lyons in Australia have made it plain that the policy of appeasing Nazi Germany by handing over British subjects of many races to acts of terrorism and concentration camps has come to a pretty blunt halt."

## Food Wanted Now

### THOUSANDS HUNGRY IN NEW TERRITORIES

**FOOD AND CLOTHING ARE URGENTLY WANTED FOR THOUSANDS OF COMPLETELY DESTITUTE REFUGEES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.**

Another refugee camp has been established temporarily in the sidings at Fanling Station.

Plans for a third are now being made.

Accommodation, however, is not available for more than perhaps a twentieth of the people in need of food and shelter.

Many are virtually starving having been two days without food.

The first need of the moment is that food of every kind is wanted and TO-DAY.

The Refugee Council will do its best to see that those in greatest need are fed, wherever they may be.

Thousands last night spent bitterly cold hours in open fields, cowering in ditches to shield themselves from the wind. Few were able to carry food supplies with them and few have money with which to make purchases.

To-day's greatest need is immediate succour and immediate action.

Those who are able to provide food or clothing of any kind are requested—implored—to do their best to get supplies to Fanling Railway Station at the earliest possible moment, either by taking them by road, or arranging transport by road, to Fanling, or placing them on trains leaving for Fanling, consigned c/o the Station Master, Fanling.

Persons able to arrange transport facilities are asked to communicate with the Emergency Refugee Council (Tel. No. 33400).

London, To-day.

So declared Mr. Winston Churchill speaking at Harlow, Essex, yesterday.

Mr. Churchill added: "Such an act of baseness as handing over helpless native populations to Germany, would divide the Empire from end to end."

Mr. Churchill rejoiced that the United States is arming.

He said he could not feel the slightest anxiety at the growth of their naval power. On the contrary, the greater their armed strength the safer the world would be.

Referring to the Anglo-French talks in Paris, Mr. Churchill commented that if anything divided the two democracies, they would each fall an easy prey to aggression.

United, they had a great measure of insurance security.—Reuter.

### CHINESE TROOPS NEARLY CREATE SERIOUS INCIDENT

(Continued from Page 1) doorstep at Shataukok this morning, where a skirmish occurred between Japanese troops moving along from the Shumchun direction and the Chinese gendarmerie, who had apparently organised defence.

Intense rifle and machine-gun fire was heard by the British police post at Shataukok coming from some little distance away and there was some firing in the Chinese village of Shataukok itself.

The dangerous moment came when no less than 500 Chinese troops attempted to rush the British border post, where Inspector Winslade and Sergeant Morrison were in charge.

#### SLIGHT SKIRMISH

Nothing serious happened fortunately.

There was a slight skirmish and some badly aimed shooting, but finally the police managed to persuade the fleeing troops to surrender their arms and they were passed through and put into the concentration camp on the British side.

Firing continued in Shataukok Chinese village but the Japanese do not appear to have entered yet.

A Japanese plane has been active all morning, spotting for the artillery, (light field guns) and dropping more leaflets.

### KWANGTUNG BOMBING

Shiukwan, To-day. Kwangning and Szewui in Kwangtung were bombed yesterday.

Eight Japanese machines visited Kwangning. They dropped about 20 bombs, killing and wounding about 100 civilians, and wrecking some 90 civilian houses and shops.

Five other machines in the meantime raided Szewui, dropping nine missiles. Several casualties resulted among the civilians.—Central News.

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